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## WILL THERE BE A CABINET SPLIT?

### TORIES SAID TO BE RESENTFUL

#### OVER SNOWDEN'S SUCCESSOR

#### MR. MACDONALD AVERSE TO MR. NEVILLE CHAMBERLAIN.

London, Yesterday.  
Mr. Ramsay MacDonald has gone to Lonsmouth for a brief rest until Monday leaving behind the impression that the task of Cabinet making may prove rather more difficult than was foreseen, although it is improbable that any announcement of Cabinet changes will be delayed until his return.

Of all the offices to which most interest attaches is the Chancellorship of the Exchequer. A feeling of resentment is growing among some Conservatives at the belief that Mr. MacDonald is anxious to avoid appointing a strong tariffist, like Mr. Neville Chamberlain, whom, Conservatives hold to be the pre-eminent man for the post. Mr. MacDonald's desire to have Mr. Baldwin at the Exchequer (a post which Mr. Baldwin has refused) is attributed to Mr. Baldwin's milder views on tariffs.

When the appointment is eventually announced, it will provide an excellent indication of Government's tariff policy.—Reuter.

**First Meeting of New House.**  
Rugby, Yesterday.  
So overwhelming is the majority possessed by the National Government that many of their supporters had difficulty in finding accommodation when the House of Commons assembled to-day for the formal business of the swearing in of members and re-electing a Speaker.

The meagre Opposition, led by Mr. Lansbury, senior ex-Labour Minister to survive the Election, were amply accommodated on the three benches allocated to them.

The greatest good humour prevailed among the members of all Parties, and Leaders, on arrival, received hearty cheers.

**Speaker Fitzroy Re-Elected.**

The election, for the third time, of Captain Fitzroy as Speaker was accompanied by the usual ceremonial. His tact and impartiality were praised from Government and Opposition benches by Sir George Courthope and Mr. Will Thorne, who proposed and seconded him. After he had replied from his seat among the private members, they each took him by the hand and led him to the Speaker's Chair where he again addressed the House and urged upon members the virtues of brevity.

After congratulatory speeches from the Premier and Mr. Lansbury, the House adjourned until the State Opening next Tuesday.

**Sir Austen Chamberlain Offers to Resign.**

Sir Austen Chamberlain, First Lord of the Admiralty in the

National Government, has written to Mr. Baldwin begging him to regard that office as at his disposal in order to reward the services of some younger man.

Mr. Baldwin has replied with a letter of warm appreciation of Sir Austen's services, and saying that history will accord him the position: "Which your father would deem not unworthy for his son."

#### Liberal Party Leadership.

It is expected that Sir Herbert Samuel will to-morrow be elected Leader of the Liberal Party in place of Mr. Lloyd George who has intimated that he does not desire re-appointment.—British Wireless Service.

#### Liberal (National) Leader.

London, Yesterday.  
The Liberal National group has unanimously elected Sir John Simon as leader.—Reuter.

## NAVAL RATINGS DISMISSED

London, Yesterday.  
An Admiralty statement says: The First Lord stated on September 17 that there would be no penalisation in respect of the occurrences at Invergordon, so no disciplinary action, therefore is being taken in regard to them, but the Board of Admiralty has received information, since the return of the Atlantic Fleet from Invergordon to Home ports in September, that a few men, serving therein, have continued with conduct subversive of discipline. After a careful investigation, the Board has directed that in twenty-four cases the men shall be discharged from the Royal Navy as their 'services are no longer required'.—Reuter.

#### GALE SWEEP BRITAIN.

#### FRENCH SCHOONER LOST.

Rugby, Yesterday.  
Great Britain and surrounding coasts to-day experienced a violent gale. The French three-masted schooner, Saint Anne, went ashore at Portleven, near Penzance, and was a total loss, although her crew was saved.—British Wireless Service.

#### SHELL TRANSPORT & DIVIDEND.

London, Yesterday.  
Orders from the Far East have enabled a firm of Swansea tinplate manufacturers to open five mills, which have been closed for over a year.

The Shell Transport Trading Company, in passing an interim dividend, announced that it had deferred consideration of the question of a dividend until the results of the whole year's trading are available.—Reuter.

#### CHINA FLOOD RELIEF.

London, Yesterday.  
Dr. Wang, Director of the Chinese Government's Purchasing Commission, has left on a fortnight's visit to Italy in order to get into contact with the Italian authorities so as to obtain materials for flood relief. The work of the Commission is proceeding satisfactorily but slow, owing to technicalities.—Reuter.

## FRANCE AND THE U.S.

### WITH GERMANY. FRANCE NOW TALKS

#### YOUNG PLAN

#### HOOVER HOLIDAY SCHEME.

Paris, Yesterday.  
Ere the phantoms of the Press and public on his return from America had died down M. Laval this afternoon had a two-hour conversation with the German Ambassador at which he outlined the French attitude in the light of the Washington talks.

The Finance Minister, M. Flandin, was present at the conversations, in the course of which M. Laval informed the German Ambassador of the French viewpoint regarding the question of substitution of the normal Young Plan regime for the existing Hoover debt holiday scheme.

The German Ambassador will now communicate the substance of the conversations to the Wilhelmstrasse and, it is expected, in due course will make known to M. Laval the German Government's reply.—Reuter.

## PEGGY PEGGING ALONG.

### FAIR PROSPECT OF BREAKING RECORD.

Rugby, Yesterday.  
Miss Peggy Salaman who, with Mr. Gordon Store as Navigator, is attempting, in a Moth Aeroplane, to beat the late Commander Glen Kidston's record flight of six and three-quarter days from England to the Cape, this morning reached Entebbe after a four days' flight. She has already covered 4,500 miles and has a fair prospect of breaking the record.—British Wireless Service.

[Close on her heels will follow Mr. A. J. Mollison, whose start from Lympe yesterday, was delayed by the gale and bad weather prevailing.]

#### Mollison's Flight.

Rugby, Yesterday.  
Mr. F. A. Mollison, holder of the Australia-Britain flight record, flew to Lympe to-day, but postponed his intended start for the Cape.—British Wireless Service.

## 100,000 LESS IDLE IN BRITAIN TO-DAY.

Rugby, Yesterday.  
Figures issued to-night show that in the week ending October 28, there was a further reduction of 1,200 unemployed, making a total reduction of nearly 100,000 in the four last weeks.—British Wireless Service.

#### PRINCE OF WALES.

Rugby, Yesterday.  
The Prince of Wales set off by air for Liverpool to-day, but the weather became so violent that he was advised to alight and continue the journey by train.—British Wireless Service.

A mushroom weighing 11 lb., in perfect condition, has been picked by M. Lacombe, Mayor of Legallac (Dordogne).

## NEWS TABLOIDS.

The Japanese vessel Ryujin Maru, the smaller vessel (there is a bigger vessel of the same name), has come to grief on the Tan Rocks in the Haitan Straits. H.M.S. Hermes is standing by and rendering assistance. Eight men have so far been saved.

Conservatives are said to be growing resentful at Mr. MacDonald's hesitancy in the matter of the choice of Mr. Snowden's successor. While Conservatives regard Mr. Neville Chamberlain as pre-eminently fitted for that responsible position, Mr. MacDonald has qualms about appointing so strong a supporter of tariffs. The Premier would like Mr. Baldwin to take over that portfolio, but the latter has already refused.

The appointment of Chancellor of the Exchequer is being eagerly awaited as it will be regarded as an indication of Government's tariff policy.

An Admiralty statement states that 24 men are to be discharged from the Royal Navy as their 'services are no longer required'.

For charging the public a cent more than the fixed price for opium, Mr. Lam Yat, a Government opium retailer, was fined \$25.

Arising out of the Sik Yue Club case, summonses for assault and theft have been taken out against Sergeant Fitches and five Chinese detectives. The sergeant is accused of assault, also of aiding, abetting and assisting the detectives who are accused of theft and also assault.

Chief P.O. Kelly, of H.M.S. Berwick, who has since gone home on pension, lost 4 medals on October 6 in Wanchai. The police were notified, and, as a result of investigations, three Chinese were charged, this morning, one with theft and two with receiving. Two of the medals had been melted down and bangles made. The case was adjourned till Friday.

Conservatives gained 338 seats, while Labour lost 416 seats in the Municipal Elections at Home.

General Smuts criticises South Africa's policy of adhering to the gold standard. He also expresses the opinion that gold, in modern conditions, unless fairly distributed, is a source of weakness rather than strength to those who hoard it.

Mr. W. A. Summers, of the H.K.V.D.F., appeared in the Central Magistracy this morning in connection with a charge of having failed, without reasonable cause, to make himself an efficient during the training season 1931-32. It was said he did not attend the Annual Camp, the G.O.C.'s Inspection, nor put in any training or drill. Mr. Summers said he wrote on March 12, 1930, stating he wished to resign, but received no reply. The case was adjourned till Monday afternoon.

#### FINE TO CLOUDY.

The Royal Observatory's report issued to-day says:—

The anticyclone is central near Nemuro, moving E.N.E. Another may be forming over N. China.

Forecast:—N. E. winds, moderate; fine to cloudy.

Rainfall.

Rainfall for 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. to-day nil. Total since January 1—74.87 inches against an average of 80.71 inches—deficit 5.84 inches.

#### Temperature.

The temperature at certain specified centres this morning at 8 o'clock was:—  
Hong Kong ..... 69  
Macao ..... 67  
Pratas Island ..... 76  
Poochow ..... 66  
Amoy ..... 67  
Chefoo ..... 62  
Shanghai ..... 62  
Manila ..... 76

## CHINA AND JAPAN

### DEVELOPMENT IN SITUATION.

#### JAP TROOPS MOVE

#### DISPUTE BETWEEN OPPOSING GENERALS

Geneva, Yesterday.  
League circles are discussing the purport of a communication received at the Secretariat to the effect that Japanese forces had advanced as far as Tsi-Tai-har in connection with the dispute between the Japanese G.O.C. and General Ma Chan-shen.

London, Yesterday.  
The Chinese Minister, Dr. Alfred Sze, is still at Geneva awaiting instructions from his Government.—Reuter.

#### HOME MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

#### LABOUR OUSTED.

London, Yesterday.  
In the Municipal Elections Conservatives gained 338 seats, while Labour lost 416.

Labour also lost control of 8 Councils on which it had a majority before the Election.—Reuter.

## GENERAL SMUTS ON GOLD

London, Yesterday.  
It almost seems as if, in the near future, only France and the United States will retain the gold standard. Their hoards may prove a weakness instead of strength to them, for, in modern conditions, unless gold is fairly distributed, it means isolation for possessors.

This opinion was expressed by the South African statesman, General Smuts, when interviewed in London.

He also strongly criticised South Africa's policy of retaining the gold standard and subsidising primary exports.

South African exports are heavily handicapped in competition with the goods of other countries that rely on the British market and suspended their gold standard; for example, Australasian wool and South American fruit. General Smuts pointed out that the whole of the British Empire, except South Africa, had gone off the gold standard, many other countries had done likewise, and he expected others to follow soon.—Reuter.

Sir John Simon has been elected Leader of the Liberal (National) group; Mr. Lansbury as Leader of the Labour Parliamentary Party; and Sir Herbert Samuel is likely to succeed Mr. David Lloyd George as Leader of the Liberal Party.

Business circles in London are interested in a report now current that certain big American shipping concerns are attempting to secure control of the White Star Line of steamers.

The League of Nations' Secretariat has been informed of the advance of Japanese troops as far as Tsi-Tai-har in connection with a dispute which is said to have arisen between the Japanese G.O.C. and a Chinese General.

A severe gale swept Britain yesterday. A French Schooner was lost off Penzance, but fortunately with no loss of life, her crew being saved. So severe was the gale that the Prince of Wales, who started off to fly to Liverpool, was obliged to alight and continue the journey by rail. The gale also was responsible for delaying Mr. A. J. Mollison's start on his flight to the Cape.

There has been a total reduction, in the past four weeks, of nearly 100,000 in Britain's idle list.

## JAPANESE VESSEL ASHORE ON ROCK

### H.M.S. HERMES STANDING BY TO RENDER AID

#### EIGHT MEN SO FAR SAVED

#### A DREADED REEF:: DANGEROUS RESCUE WORK.

Wireless messages received in Hong Kong from H.M.S. Hermes by the Naval authorities last night gave news of a mishap which occurred to the Japanese s.s. Ryujin Maru in the Haitan Strait.

The first message stated:—  
"Am proceeding in answer to distress signal from s.s. Ryujin Maru, ashore on the Tan Rocks."

Subsequently the Hermes wirelessed as follows:—

"Have anchored seven miles, 380 degrees from Turnabout Island. Have located wreck and will do all possible to save crew at daylight. Have instructed s.s. Shantung to proceed on voyage. I will shift closer to wreck in the morning to facilitate work. Too rough in present berth."

From the above messages it would appear that the s.s. Shantung arrived at the scene of the

mishap before the Hermes and stood by the Ryujin Maru until relieved by the aircraft carrier. The Hermes was on a voyage to Hong Kong from Shanghai when she picked up the Ryujin Maru's distress signal, and promptly proceeded to her assistance.

Thanks to the courtesy of the Assistant Harbour Master, the China Mail ascertained this morning that Tan Rocks, on which the Ryujin Maru came to grief, are situated in the Haitan Straits, north of Amoy, and in 348 degrees, 7 1/4 miles north by west of Turnabout Island.

Dangerous Reef.  
Turnabout Island, it was learned from a shipping source, is just about half-way between Amoy and Foochow, roughly 100 miles north of Amoy and just above the Haitan Straits. The Tan Rocks are well known to skippers as a dangerous reef to run foul of in bad weather.

8 Men Saved.  
Another wireless message received from H.M.S. Hermes this morning stated:—

"Anchored at dawn 103 degrees, seven cables from wreck. Have saved eight men so far. Position very dangerous around wreck owing to rocks and heavy surf. Rescue work is continuing."

The local agents of the Ryujin Maru are Messrs. Y. Satoh & Co., Prince's Building. When a China Mail representative called there this morning he was courteously informed by the manager that the Ryujin Maru is under the command of Captain N. Kitano and has a crew of 27, all Japanese. She does not carry any passengers. The ship is owned by the Sampo Kisen Kaisha, Japan, and has a tonnage of 1,496 gross (902 nett). She was built in 1905 and was originally named Taitau Maru.

The ship, it was further learned from the agents, was bound from Hong Kong to Fushiki, Japan, at the time of the grounding. She sailed from Hong Kong at 7 p.m. on Saturday, and has on board a cargo of 1,900 tons of manganese ore.

#### Not the Big Ryujin.

The Ryujin Maru, concerned in the mishap, is not included in Lloyd's Register, which, however, has the record of a much larger ship of the same name, a steel screw steamer of 6,243 (3,966 nett) tonnage. This vessel, which was formerly the China, was built in 1907 by W. Denny & Bros., Dumbarton, and is owned by the Ryuch Kisen Kaisha and registered in Dairen. This is mentioned, because there was an impression in shipping circles this morning that this large ship was the vessel which went aground.

The general opinion among skippers here, this morning, was that considerable difficulty would be experienced in salvaging any vessel which fouled the Tan Rocks.

Finance Minister had talks yesterday on financial matters.

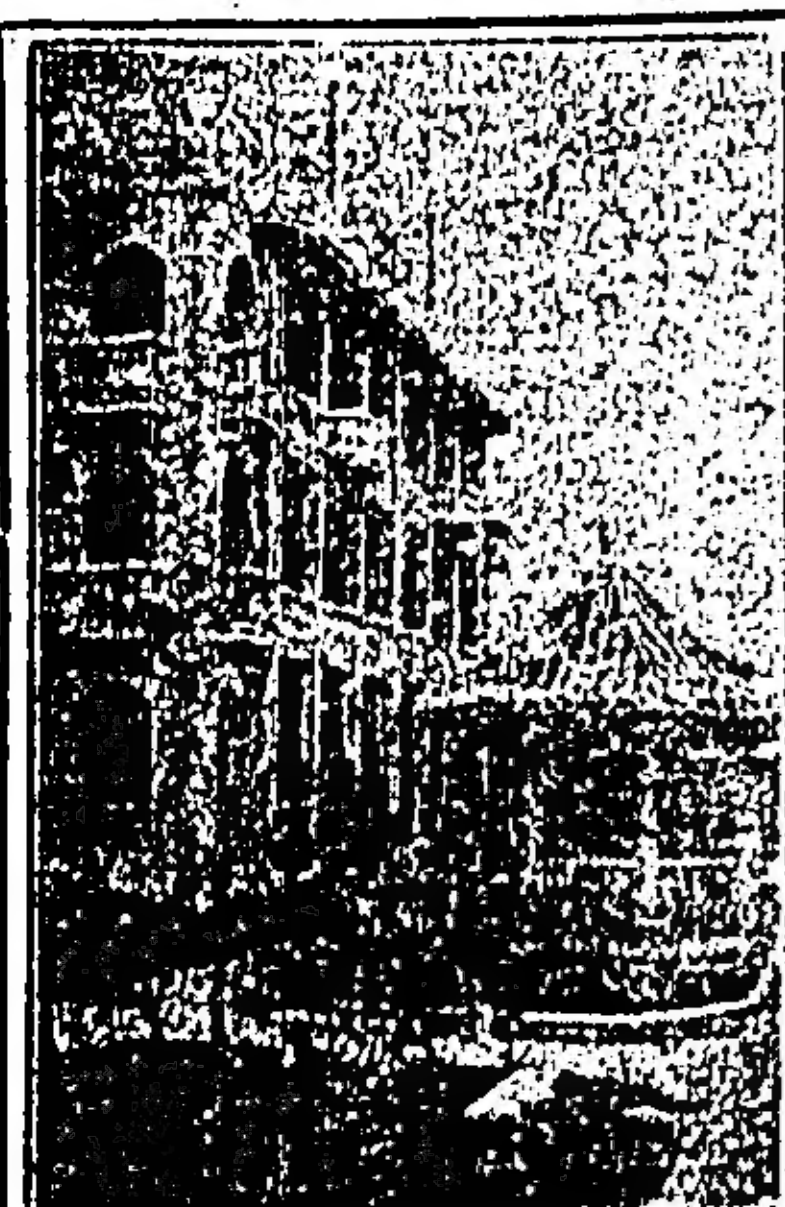
The members of the S. A. Rugby Football Fifteen, who are at present touring Britain, were received at Buckingham Palace yesterday by the King.

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## ROUND THE LOCAL CINEMAS.

## What Mail Reviewers Say.

## THE SEAS BENEATH.

The talkie which followed the vaudeville show at the King's Theatre yesterday was "The Seas Beneath" featuring George O'Brien and Marion Lessing, with a strong supporting cast. For the first time in any talkie heard in Hong Kong, three languages, English, Spanish and German, were spoken. This made one or two explanatory titles necessary, but the innovation succeeded in introducing reality to the picture with each nationality introduced in the picture speaking its own tongue.

The story is one of a sea battle during the great war, and the matching of wits between the crews of an American mystery ship and a German U boat was thrillingly unfolded. The American mystery ship and a German craft disguised as a trawler both put in to a Spanish port near Gibraltar and the crews gather in a dance hall and hard drinking joint where they enjoy themselves, both sides respecting the neutrality of Spain.

Here the American Captain (George O'Brien) falls in love with the sister of the U boat Commander. At night both vessels leave port, the American mystery ship to decoy the U boat, and the German trawler with oil fuel and supplies for the submarine. The girl goes in the trawler. During the refuelling of the U boat, an American officer who has concealed himself on board the trawler sets fire to the vessel and pays with his life. The submarine dives for safety and the trawler sinks and the crew, with the girl (Marion Lessing) put off in a lifeboat, which is picked up by the American mystery ship, which takes the girl on board and turns the others adrift.

Then the U boat engages the mystery ship which pretends to be in a panic under fire and draws the German within the range of her smaller gun. Then she engages the German while a submerged American submarine, which had all along been in the wake of the mystery ship, gets into position and puts a torpedo into the U boat and sinks her.

The survivors of the U boat are taken on the mystery ship which makes for an Allied port where they, together with the Commander's sister, are interned. In spite of her brother's defeat, however, the German girl finds that she loves the American Captain and promises to come to him when the war is over.

## From Other Sources.

## "SUBMARINE."

One of the dangerous sequences ever made for a motion picture forms a part of the action of Columbia's "Submarine," which is having its final showings today at the Central Theatre. It was made under the skilful direction of Frank Capra and shows the flooded chambers of a submarine.

Four cameras were trained on the set. The tide was rammed and the ocean poured in. Ralph Graves and fourteen extras as sailors fought the torrent. More than ten thousand gallons of seawater surged into the chamber while the men fought impending death by escaping into another compartment.

Columbia is to be commended for the manner in which the scene was

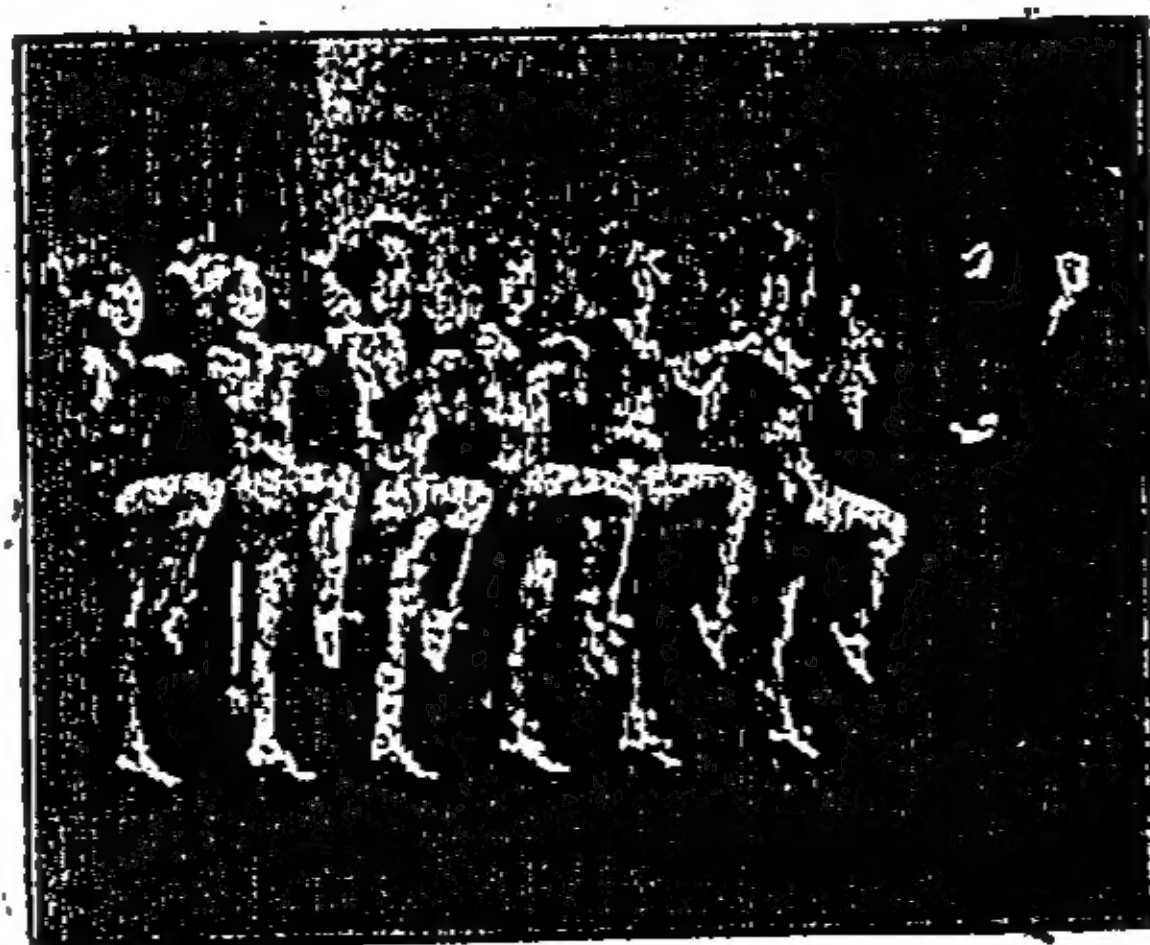
## WHOOPEE GIRLS.

## Nellie Farren's Troupe at King's.

## SPLENDID RECEPTION.

Fresh from their success in Shanghai, where they were red hot favourites, that versatile combination of entertainers, Nellie Farren and her six Whoopee Girls, and the Olympic Trio of acrobatic dancers, made their bows to Hong Kong audiences yesterday at the King's Theatre where there were full houses at every show.

Right from the opening number "Happy Days" by Nellie and the Whoopettes with precious little on, and that gorgeous, the show took



well applauded. Another fine dancing item was the Spanish dance "Esquedero" by S. Totopoff. Victor Derenewsky, a clever violinist, pleased with the Chopin-Kreisler violin solo Mazurka in A Minor. The musical direction for the show was in the able hands of Roman Stupel.

## "SONG OF THE WEST."

Vivienne Segal says: I never enjoyed anything so much in my life as working in the great outdoor scenes during the filming of the marvellous all-colour Vitaphone film, "Song of the West." This was my first experience in pictures and I found it fascinating. I know I am one of the luckiest girls in the world to be chosen by Mr. Jack Warner for the lead in this thrilling story of the West during the covered wagon days.

I feel that I gave the very best of my talents to "Song of the West." I was so thoroughly in the spirit of the pioneer play that I am sure my enthusiasm helped my performance.

## "HARMONY HEAVEN."

Mr. Alexander Oumansky was engaged to create and stage the dance numbers in the theatrical sequences of "Harmony Heaven," which Thomas Bentley directed for British International Pictures at Elstree.

Mr. Oumansky has devised dance sequences in many successful pictures, notably, "The Merry Widow" and "The Four Sons." In Britain he was the first to put on the American ballets and stage presentations at the Empire Theatre, Leicester Square, and was responsible for the introduction of the high speed ballet into British vaudeville, notably at the Palladium and the Alhambra. "Harmony Heaven" commences tomorrow at the Queen's Theatre.

on like wild fire. They turned on the heat with a will with every succeeding item and fully justified their Shanghai reputation, and, what was more, made their mark in Hong Kong, whose audiences are notoriously hard to please.

Other items by the Whoopee Girls were "Ragamuffin Romeo," a quintette tap dance, a duet comique by Johanna and Sophie, a sextette comic sailor dance in which the Vulgar Boat was brought on the scene, a song "If I give up my Saxophone" and dance by Nellie Farren, and the "Wa, Wa, Girls" a grand tap dance finale by all the Whoopettes.

The Olympic Trio's contributions were "A Poem of Love" and "Jelouse" (Tango) dances, which were well executed and deservedly

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Piano Solos—(a) To a Wild Rose, (b) To a Water Lily (MacDowell), (c) A Deserted Farm, (d) Of Br'er Rabbit (MacDowell), Myrtle C. Eaver.

Violin Solo—Aloha Oe (Farewell to Thee) (Liliuokalani-Kreisler), From the Land of the Sky-Blue Water (Cadman-Kreisler), Fritz Kreisler.

8.33-9.18 p.m.—Operatic.  
Song—Otello—Ave Maria (Verdi), Otello—Willow Song (Verdi), Elisabeth Reithberg, Soprano.

Orchestra—Die Fledermaus—Overture (Johann Strauss), Victor Symphony Orchestra.  
Gems from "Aida" (Verdi), Victor Light Opera Company.

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9.18-10 p.m.—A Selection of Orchestral Music played by Leopold Stokowski and the Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra.

Afternoon of a Faun (Debussy), Capriccio Italian (Italian Capriccio) (Tchaikowsky), Fete-Dieu a Seville (Holiday in Seville) (Albeniz).

Dance Orientale (Glazounov), March of the Caucasian Chief (Ippolitow-Iwanow).

10-10.20 p.m.—Vocal Gems.  
Gems from "Whoopie", Victor Light Opera Company.  
Gems from "The New Moon", Victor Light Opera Company.  
Gems from "The Merry Widow", Victor Light Opera Company.  
Gems from "The Chocolate Soldier", Victor Light Opera Company.  
Gems from "Blackbirds of 1923", Warren Mills & His Blues Serenaders.

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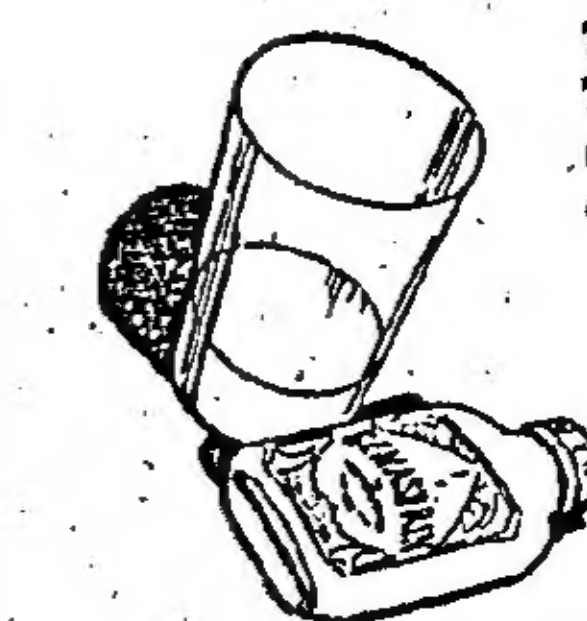
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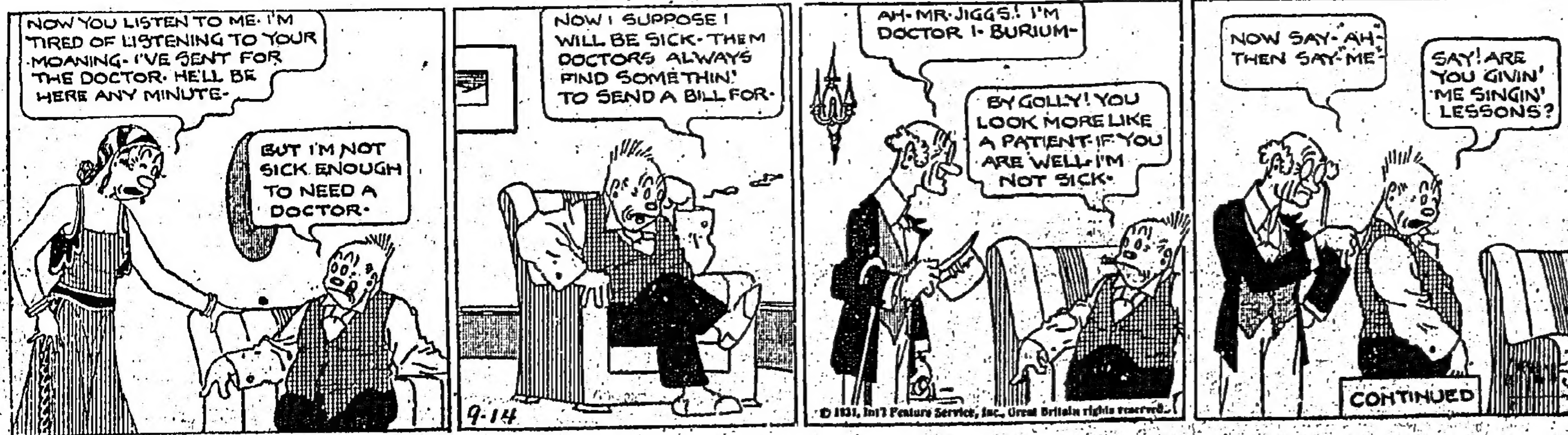
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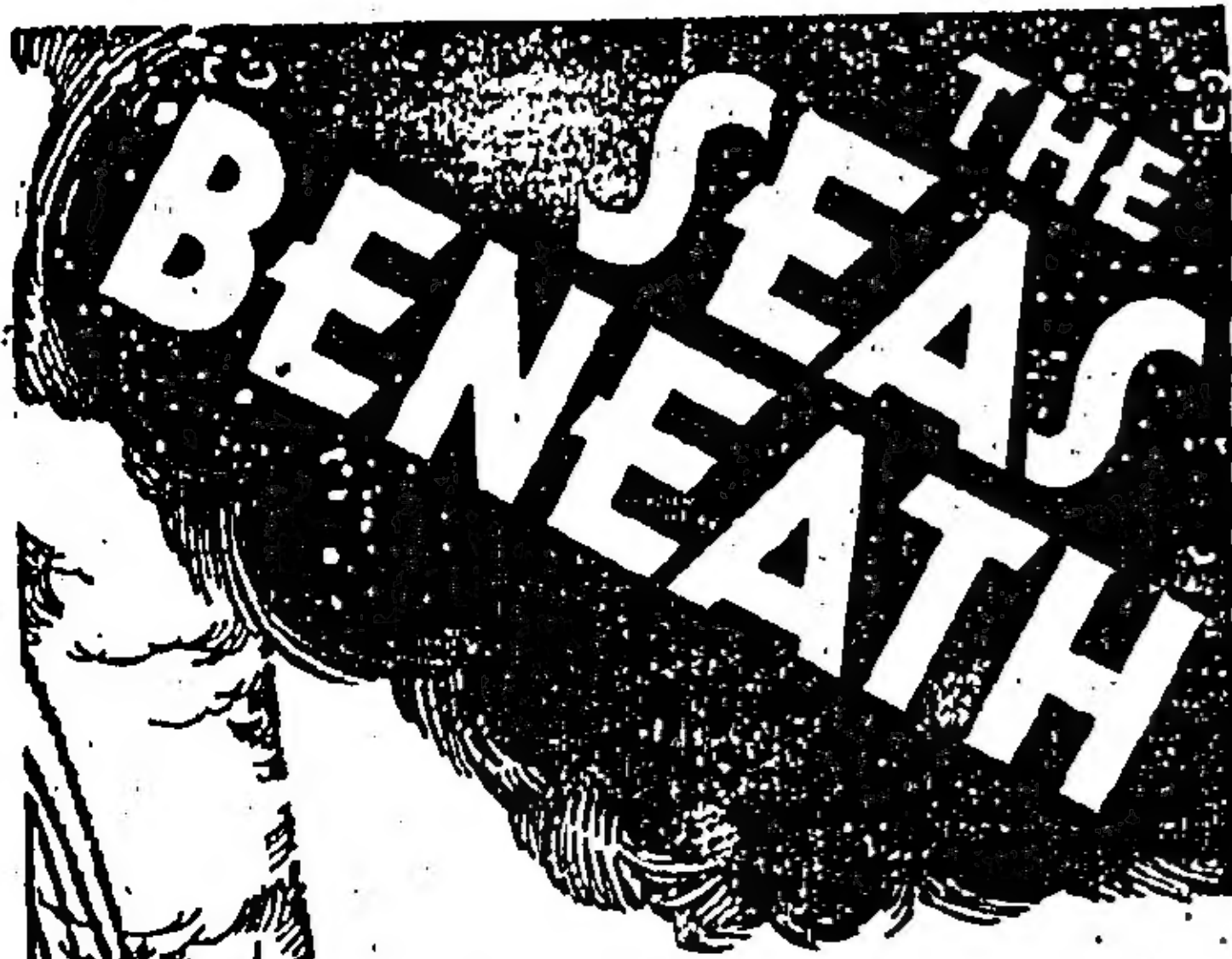
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## CURRENT SPORTING GOSSIP

### SIGNALS DEFEAT R.A.S.C.

Saunders and Gough  
Responsible.

### SKIPP'S EFFORT UNAVAILING.

The Royal Corps of Signals defeated the Royal Army Service Corps by two wickets yesterday in the Small Units Knock-out Competition at Sookunpoo.

Three players were outstanding during the match—S/S. Skipp, who contributed 33 not out to his side's low total of 82; Cpl. Saunders, who took half the R.A.S.C. wickets for 27 runs; and Lt. Gough, who saved the Signals from collapse with an innings of 37.

Scores:—

#### R.A.S.C.

S/M. Pamplin, b. Saunders	14
L/Cpl. Cadman, b. Saunders	6
L/Cpl. Fry, b. Williams	0
Sgt. Hurst, c. Higgins, b. Saunders	5
Pte. Cole, b. Saunders	0
S/S. Skipp, not out	33
Pte. Andrews, c. Chaffey, b. Saunders	7
L/Cpl. Reynolds, b. Williams	2
Pte. Craggs, c. Gough, b. Williams	0
Sgt. Spain, c. Higgins, b. Williams	4
Pte. Costello, run out	0
Extras	11
<b>Total</b>	<b>82</b>

#### BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Williams	8.2	0	33	4
Saunders	6	1	27	5
Andrews	1	0	5	0
Gough	1	0	6	0

#### Signals.

Sgt. Colley, c. Fry, b. Pamplin	4
Sgt. Gillett, c. Costello, b. Pamplin	1
Sgt. Williams, b. Pamplin	8
Lt. Gough, c. Pamplin, b. Reynolds	37
Sgt. Andrews, c. and b. Fry	5
Cpl. Saunders, b. Reynolds	5
Sgt. Chaffey, not out	15
Sgt. Yates, l.b.w., b. Hurst	9
L/Cpl. Higgins, c. Pamplin, b. Hurst	0
Sgt. Michael, not out	0
<b>Total (for 8 wks.)</b>	<b>84</b>

Sig. Arnison did not bat.

#### BOWLING ANALYSIS.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Fry	8	1	30	1
Pamplin	6	1	20	3
Reynolds	4.4	1	22	2
Hurst	3	0	11	2

## KOWLOON GOLF CLUB.

### Captain's Cup.

In the qualifying round of the Captain's Cup played over the Kowloon course during last weekend. F. E. Remedios 73—2=71 and J. H. Russell 77—0=71 qualified.

### Our Sports Diary.

#### LOCAL.

**HOCKEY**—To-day—Hong Kong Hockey Club v. Argyle on the U.S.R.C. ground at 5 p.m.; Jat Regiment v. Radio Sports Club on the Marine ground.

**FRIDAY**—H.M.S. Tamar and Small Ships v. Radio Sports Club on the Navy ground; Hong Kong Hockey Club "A" v. Recreation at King's Park at 5 p.m.

**POLO**—Friday—Navy Cup competition Finals at Causeway Bay. **ATHLETICS**—Saturday—South China Athletic Association Annual Sports Meeting at Caroline Hill.

**CRICKET**—To-day—Army v. Navy at King's Park at 11 a.m.; University II v. D.B.S. at Pokfulam at 2 p.m. **Saturday**—Division I—C.S.C.C. v. I.R.C.; University v. R.A.; Division II—I.R.C. v. Borderers (C.); Police R.C. v. Civil Service (C.); Kowloon C.C. v. Argyle; Royal Navy v. Craggengower C.C.

### SHANGHAI CRICKET TOURISTS.

Kermani and Booth  
Complete the Side.

### THIRTEEN PLAYERS.

We are informed that the Shanghai cricket tourists have completed their side with the inclusion of Kermani and Booth.

The thirteen players who will arrive in the Colony shortly are as follows:—

D. W. Leach (captain), T. W. R. Wilson, A. J. Barson, H. A. Coward, H. J. M. Cook, R. S. Elliot, J. A. Isaacs, P. Madar, D. B. W. Murray, C. J. Merritt, P. V. Simpson, P. Kermani, and Booth.

## SPORTS NEWS IN BRIEF.

#### Rugby, Yesterday.

The South African Rugby football tourists were received by His Majesty the King at Buckingham Palace to-day.—British Wireless Service.

#### Flemington, Yesterday.

The Melbourne Cup resulted as follows:—

White Rose	1
Shadow King	2
Concentrate	3

There were sixteen runners. Won by two lengths; and half a neck.

Betting was:—  
8/1 White Rose.  
25/1 Shadow King.  
4/1 Concentrate.

Phar Lap, Australia's wonder horse, and last year's winner, was unplaced. Phar Lap was carrying a crushing burden of 10 st. 10 lb., and finished very tired. The winner carried only 6 st. 12 lb.

Phar Lap is the Australian record stake-money winner, with over £56,000 in winnings.—Reuter.

#### Adelaide, Yesterday.

The South Africans defeated South Australia to-day by 152 runs. Full scores as cabled by Reuter were as follows:—

South Africa: 175 (J. A. Christy 63);

293 (X. Balaskas 61, J. A. Christy 55).

South Australia: 170 (A. J. Bell 4 for 37);

106 (Q. McMillan 9 for 53).

The Rugby football match, between the Kowloon Rugby Club and the Machine Gun Troop which was to have been played to-day at King's Park has been postponed. A practice game will take the place of the postponed game and as many as possible are requested to make an appearance.

The hockey match between the "Incognitos" and the R.A.S.C. in the Mamak Shield Competition has been cancelled owing to the R.A.S.C.'s ground not being available.

St. Andrew's Hockey eleven will play against the R.A.S.C. at Sookunpoo to-day in the Mamak Shield Competition. The following will represent St. Andrew's:—

R. H. Wong; F. V. Landolt; A. B. Hamson; R. A. Carroll; N. A. E. Mackay; R. H. A. Woolley; H. S. Bilas; E. C. Fincher; E. F. Fincher; E. H. White; and H. K. Wong.

Reserves: E. MacNider and C. W. L. Spradbery.

The following will represent the "Incognitos" hockey eleven in their match against the K.B.S. F.P.A. in the Mamak Shield Competition at King's Park on Friday, at 5.10 p.m.:—

A. P. Eca de Silva; A. M. Rodriguez; B. Silva-Netto; N. McFarlan; C. F. Anstruther; Sgt. Patterson; and Sig. Williams.

Navy:—Capt. Burnett, Lt.-Cdr. Skyrme, Lt.-Cdr. Clover, Lt. Prip, Lt. Villiers, Lt. Edwards, Sub-Lt. Merryman, Mid. Hunting, Mid. Boyle, and Ldg. Tel. Beson.

### BORDERERS BEAT Y.M.C.A.

Right Wing Pair Cause  
The Damage.

### HOCKEY SUCCESS.

At King's Park yesterday the South Wales Borderers defeated the Y.M.C.A. by five goals to two at the conclusion of a very good game. The military eleven, though playing against only ten men in the first half, were undoubtedly the superior side and won comfortably.

The Borderers' right wing pair were excellent, their understanding being perfect, and it was from this wing that most of the dangerous raids originated. The military side were the first to score when Johnstone broke through and scored easily, but shortly after Burnett placed the "Y" on equal terms again. Crossing over at half time with the scores level, the Borderers added two quick goals and looked like amassing a big score, but at this point McLellan reduced the arrears with a beautiful shot which left the visiting goalkeeper standing. The Borderers crammed on pressure and two further goals resulted in the fast falling light. Hopkins (2), Johnstone (2) and Tyler scored for the military side. The Y.M.C.A. in the first half were forced to play F. Parker at full back and thus weakened the forward line, but in the second half L. W. Macey took the field and Parker re-joined the attack.

#### Results:—

Y.M.C.A. .... 2  
Borderers ..... 5  
Y.M.C.A.—L. D. Skinner; A. Tate, L. W. Macey; R. A. Bates, D. McLellan (captain), F. S. W. Smith; J. J. Ferguson, P. Parker, G. C. Burnett, W. J. Brown and T. J. Price.

#### Win for C.B.A. Ladies.

The C.B.A. Ladies' defeated the St. Andrew's Ladies' yesterday at King's Park by a goal to nil. Miss O. Daziel scored the only goal of the match. Miss B. Walker made her first appearance for the C.B.A. and gave a very satisfactory display.

Official Referees: Karnail Singh and F. Allen.

The following will represent the University second eleven in a friendly cricket match against the Diocesan Boys' School to-day at Pokfulam at 2 p.m. sharp:—

P. L. Tan (captain), C. E. R. Clarabut, W. K. Chia, E. Gosano, D. Hunt, A. S. A. Kym, A. T. Lee, R. E. G. Leong, H. Nomanbhoy, P. M. N. da Silva, and M. M. Yayahbhoy.

Reserve: S. B. Tata.

In the Ladies' Section of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club, Mrs. D. Lambert qualified in the Captain's Cup competition with 84—12=72.

The draw for the Railway Cup resulted as follows:—

First round to be played by November 19; Second, December 8; Third round, December 17; Semi-final, December 31; Final, January 15, 1932.

Byes:—Mrs. Redmond, Mrs. Cassidy, Mrs. Lambert, Mrs. Buyers, Mrs. Newbiggin, Miss Munro, Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. Sherry, Mrs. Maitland, and Mrs. Lindsell. Mrs. Roffey v. Miss Stevenson; Mrs. Dodwell v. Miss Mackie; Mrs. Sheldon v. Mrs. Whyte-Smith; Mrs. Mayhew v. Mrs. Langston; Mrs. Pearce v. Mrs. Fraser; Mrs. Brown v. Mrs. Piercy.

The following are the probable teams for to-day's cricket match between the Army and the Navy on the R.N.O. Sports Club ground at King's Park at 11 a.m.:—

Army:—Capt. R. G. Moir, O. B. Younger, J. H. G. Black, Capt. Wales, A. C. Hamilton, F. E. S. Barlow, Capt. Mirehouse, J. R. McFarlan, C. F. Anstruther, Sgt. Patterson, and Sig. Williams.

Navy:—Capt. Burnett, Lt.-Cdr. Skyrme, Lt.-Cdr. Clover, Lt. Prip, Lt. Villiers, Lt. Edwards, Sub-Lt. Merryman, Mid. Hunting, Mid. Boyle, and Ldg. Tel. Beson.

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## CHINESE AND FOOTBALL DISPUTE

In order to bring the "Football Dispute" to a settlement at an early date a letter signed by the representatives of the five Chinese Clubs in response to the Football Association's letter of October 14, has been addressed to the Chairman of the Association as follows: The Chairman,

The Hong Kong Football Association.

Dear Sir,—With reference to your letter of October 14, addressed to the Honorary Secretaries of the undersigned Clubs, and to their formal acknowledgments, we are now directed to inform you as follows:—

1.—Your letter of October 14, setting out the Resolution of the Council of your Association at a meeting held the previous evening, has been fully considered by the Chinese Football Clubs who were members of your Association, and who do not agree with its contents.

2.—The Chinese Clubs have noted with pleasure the expression of hope expressed by your Association that they would reconsider their decision regarding the withdrawal from your Association on the understanding therein stated, and it is because of the Clubs' desire to do their utmost, to come to such an understanding with your Association as to make it possible for them to withdraw their resignations, that we are now writing thus fully to you.

3.—The original cause of the Clubs' resignations is the impression they entertained that the unhappy incidents relating to the Malaya Chinese v. Hong Kong Chinese Interport match, and the Malaya Chinese v. the United Services match, are but examples of the autocratic, unhelpful, and unsympathetic attitude towards the Chinese Clubs—an attitude which is inconsistent with the reason d'être of their membership of your Association, namely, the desire to promote friendly feelings between Europeans and Chinese in the realm of sport.

4.—In view of the position which the Clubs are now prepared to take up, as will be fully set out in this letter, it might seem unnecessary to enter into the merits of the incidents above referred to. But the Clubs feel strongly that, in justice to themselves, their case against your Association should be set out at length, not only as a justification of the attitude they have adopted, but in order to acquaint your Association with the precise nature of the acts complained of, in order that your Association might avoid a repetition of similar acts in the future.

5.—We are accordingly directed to set out the Clubs' case against the attitude of your Association, as follows:—

(a) The Hong Kong Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation is a Federation of practically all the

Chinese Sporting Clubs and Associations in the Colony, and is affiliated to the National Amateur Athletic Federation of China. It is through this Federation that representation is sent for the participation in the National Athletic Meets of China and the Far Eastern Olympics.

(b) As your Association has consistently ignored the very existence of the Federation,—except, indeed, when your Association required the services of the Federation as it did in 1930 with reference to the Federation playing in an Interport match one of the players suspended by your Association—the Federation did not communicate direct with your Association in regard to the last Malaya Chinese Interport.

(c) Although correspondence regarding this Interport had taken place for a long time the matter was not finally arranged until Saturday, September 19, when a telegram was received from Malaya.

(d) In view of the absence from the Colony of most of the players of the Chinese Athletic Association, the South China Athletic Association was directed by the Federation to have its full team in readiness for the Interport, which was fixed for Saturday, September 26, and to make all necessary arrangements for the postponement of any match previously fixed.

(e) On Monday, September 21, the South China Athletic Association sent the following letter to your Association:—

"Dear Sir,—In connection with the visit of the Malaya Chinese for the interport football match between Malaya and Hong Kong organised under the auspices of the Hong Kong Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation to whom this Association is affiliated, I am directed to inform you that a majority of the Senior players of this Association have been selected to represent the Hong Kong Chinese in the interport match which has been fixed to take place on Saturday, the 26th inst. at the Caroline Hill ground at 4 p.m.

Under the circumstances I am directed to request that you will be so good as to arrange for the postponement of the league fixture Hong Kong Football Club v. South China Athletic Association on that date to a later date.

"Yours faithfully, (sd.) P. C. Kwok, Hon. Secretary."

(f) On September 23 the following reply was received from you:—

"Dear Sir,—With reference to your letter of the 21st instant on the subject of a Malaya Chinese team's visit to Hong Kong and a request for postponement of the 1st Division League Match Club v. South China on Saturday, 26th, I am directed to inform you that the League Management Committee have decided that the match cannot be postponed.

Yours faithfully, (sd.) W. E. Hollands, Hon. Secretary.

(g) Immediately on the receipt of that letter the South China Athletic Association wrote the following letter to you:—

Dear Sir,—I am in receipt of your letter of even date and note with regret that the Association's request for the postponement of the 1st Division League Match Club v. S.C.A.A. on Saturday, the 26th could not be granted and I am directed to request if you will be so good as to inform me the grounds on which the Management Committee based their decision.

Yours faithfully, (sd.) P. C. Kwok, Hon. Secretary.

(h) The next morning, September 24, you replied as follows:—

Dear Sir,—In reply to your letter of the 23rd instant, I have to inform you that the League Management Committee decided that a postponement of the League Match Club v. South China could not be entertained under League Rule 5.

In connection with the proposed game that you have been asked to take part in by the Hong Kong Amateur Athletic Federation, I have to draw your attention to Association Rule 12.

Yours faithfully, (sd.) W. E. Hollands, Hon. Secretary.

(i) In spite of the fact that, in the interport matches which took place in 1925, 1927 and 1930, and under identical circumstances, no permission was applied for or demanded, the South China Athletic Association at once wrote the following letter to you as a matter of courtesy to meet a requirement which was unnecessary.

Dear Sir,—I am obliged by your letter of even date and for the information therein contained.

In regard to the point raised by you by the last paragraph of your letter under reply, I am directed to apply for formal sanction for playing with the Malaya Chinese if and when this Association is called upon to play in such match or matches.

It would appear that this Association is being placed in a precarious position. As a member of the H.K.F.A. this Association is bound to observe its rules and as a member of the H.K.C.A.A.F. this Association is also bound by the same conditions.

As far as it is within its powers this Association desires to fulfil its obligation to both governing bodies, but where there is conflict between the decisions of such bodies this Association has no alternative but to act in what it appears to be the best course open.

In conclusion I may add that to my knowledge all members of the Malaya Chinese team are affiliated to the Singapore Football Association which in turn is affiliated to the England Association.

Yours faithfully, (sd.) P. C. Kwok, Hon. Secretary.

(j) The invitation to His Excellency the Governor to attend the Interport was sent on September 22 which His Excellency graciously accepted.

(k) At an Emergency meeting of the South China Athletic Association it was decided that if your Association would not give consent, the South China Athletic Association must give notice that it could not fulfil its League fixture, but that this notice should be held back as long as possible, and Mr. Wong Ka Tsun was authorised to send the notice off on Friday afternoon, which was considered to be the latest possible time to give such notice. Accordingly, on Friday afternoon, the following letter was sent to you:—

Dear Sir,—With reference to our previous correspondence herein, I am now directed to inform you that the senior football team of this Association has been selected by the Hong Kong Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation to take part in the Interport Match which takes place tomorrow the 26th at 4.30 p.m.

Under the circumstances this Association will not be able to place a team in the field in the Club v. S.C.A.A. match.

Yours faithfully, (sd.) Wong Ka Tsun, Hon. Secretary.

(l) The Federation sent 16 complimentary tickets to your Hon. Secretary for the officials of your Association for the Interport, but they were not even acknowledged by him or used. An invitation to your Hon. Secretary to attend the Interport dinner was similarly ignored.

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Sunday, September 27 at 4.30 p.m. (preferable).

Monday, September 28, at 5 p.m.

Tuesday, September 29, at 5 p.m.

Your early reply will be greatly appreciated.

(n) On September 23 the South China Athletic Association received the following letter from Captain Deakin:—

Dear Sir,—In reply to your letter of 21st instant regarding a match "Services" v. Malaya Chinese, I am directed to state that the Naval & Military Authorities are prepared to field a "Services" side at Caroline Hill at 5 p.m. on September 29 on the undermentioned conditions:—

1.—That the "Services" receive 25 per cent. of the actual gross gate takings.

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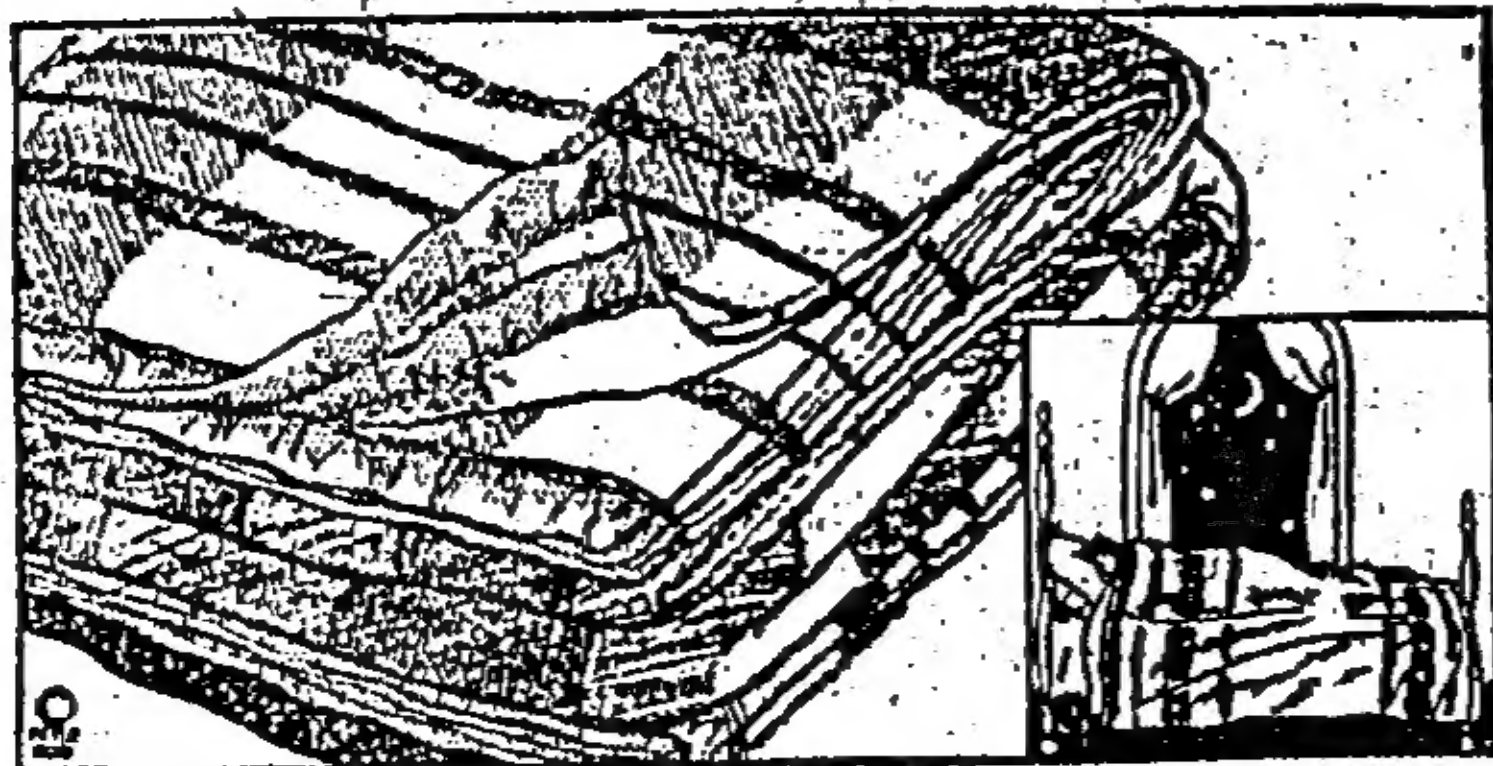
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## WHITEAWAYS

### The China Mail

Hong Kong, Wednesday, Nov. 4, 1931.

### Dumping in Britain.

A correspondent, not 'unreasonably,' complains of the quality of the news cabled from Home to the Colony, making a plea for less Home sports items and more commercial and financial news. It certainly must seem strange to some that the first important news regarding dumping in Britain should be cabled out three or four weeks after being published, in effect, in a Home newspaper of some standing. The local Press here, however, are not in a position to dictate to the primary news agency or to the Rugby official wireless office in the matter of quality of news transmitted. The former has varying contracts with newspapers in all parts of the world. The requirements of the majority, say, in the Far East must be studied collectively, on the score of acceleration of despatch and of cost. Thus, within the range of quantity, Ceylon, India, Burma, and British Malaya may receive identical messages, exclusive cablegrams to Malaya regarding rubber and tin markets being, perhaps, a rarity. Part, if not all, of these messages are earmarked in London for further East—Hong Kong, China, and Japan. Likewise, items that may interest business men overseas may, in the rush hours of cabling at Home, be overlooked or even deemed not so vital at that moment as they would a week or so later in the light of further developments in certain sections of Home industry. Still, whilst recognising that at times there is a need for greater elasticity in regard to the quality and nature of the Press news cabled from London or radioed from Rugby, we must also appreciate the difficulty of supplying all the needs of all the sections of all the peoples in the Middle and Far East.

So far as concerns the extract given by our correspondent on the subject of dumping in Britain, we find a reference to it in

a Home paper about a week earlier than the one he quotes. The Daily Telegraph of September 23 states, in part:—

In Germany the prospect of a British tariff is causing acute alarm.

A "dumping" hall is in progress. Deck space on ships plying between German ports and London is taken up with goods being rushed to this country.

So vast have been the orders for cheap toys placed, in anticipation of a tariff, by two chain-store firms well-known in Britain who deal in inexpensive goods, that dock congestion has been caused.

The unusual sight has been witnessed of a vessel being unloaded in the middle of a dock, whilst two other ships were diverted to a different dock.

London forwarding agents and warehousing firms doing business with Germany find that more goods are arriving than there is space for. Orders have to be refused, and in one case a warehousing firm has "called off" its canvassers from seeking fresh business, so full are its hands as it is.

There is, however, a possibility that once the immediate rush is over there will be a pronounced slackening in dumping activities owing to Great Britain's having gone off the gold standard.

This action, followed by the consequent drop in the value of sterling, will, it is thought, considerably check the flood of imports.

There is, however, another side. The Daily Telegraph, in the same issue, states:—Already anxiety is felt abroad at the prospect of cheaper and increased British exports, following our suspension of the Gold Standard. Italy is alarmed at the likelihood of excessive imports of British coal; and in Germany a demand has been raised for a complete ban. France fears that our increased competition will adversely affect her own export trade to other countries. Lancashire is actually reported to be looking forward to dumping cotton goods in U.S.A.

Now we can the better understand the hesitancy of those in control of Press cables at Home

to tell us on September 23 about the menace of dumping in Great Britain whilst Lancashire hopes to dump cotton goods in America!

### From Other Pens.

#### Suicides.

It is proposed that the July Column, in the Place de la Bastille, Paris, which is one of the most popular "sights" for tourists, should be closed. The reason is that it has recently been the scene of too many suicides. Recently four people have killed themselves by jumping from its summit.

On the last occasion there seems to have been a suicide party on the upper platform. Three men ascended together and two of them jumped to death. The third was seized just as he was climbing over the parapet to follow their example. He owed his life to the perspicacity of the caretaker of the monument, who had noticed that he had a singularly wild and desperate look, and had followed him up the stairs.

Some ten years ago the bronze column in the Place Vendôme was permanently closed to the public on account of the number of suicides committed there. It is suggested now that in addition to the closing of the July Column, visitors should be prevented from climbing to the top of the Arc de Triomphe, from which already many people have taken their last leap.—Daily Telegraph.

#### Cold Comfort.

The invention of unnecessary instruments proceeds apace. Apparently the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research has just produced one for locating and reporting the presence of thunderstorms anything from one to two thousand miles away. If that enlightened Department could invent something for removing thunderstorms instead of reporting them, how much more deeply we should all feel ourselves in its debt! During the ruins and remnants of this disastrous Summer nobody in this island cares two hoots whether they are having a thunderstorm in Honduras; what we should like to do is dodge them during our own holidays.

And the Department's new device does not seem to be much of a novelty after all. Apparently the instrument only collects the roars and bangs and crackles common to the ordinary wireless set at this time of the year—with the added difference that it somehow makes them announce their precise locality. But who cares, anyhow? Better the worst of wireless singers (and the B.B.C. does deliver some pretty poor ones from time to time) than a concert of cosmic crashes and crepitations. A nice sort of mid-Summer night's dream the new device seems to offer. "That concludes our relay of the blizzard on the Black Sea. In two minutes' time we shall be taking you over for the height of the tornado in Timbuctoo."—Manchester Guardian.

### News in Brief.

Yesterday's lowest open air temperature was 68 degrees. The humidity was 60 at 10 a.m. and 57 at 4 p.m.

A fine of \$25 was imposed on a Chinese woman, Wong Wai-king, of 33, Connaught Road Central, this morning, for having under her control an unregistered Mai-tai.

Wu Ting-chun, a licensed motor driver, has reported to the Police that whilst driving his master, the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, from Sheung Shui to Kowloon yesterday, a Chinese woman, ran across the road near the Hai Wai Village. The rear wheel of the car passed over one of her legs which was fractured. The woman was removed to the Kowloon Hospital.

For trading as the Great Company Limited, China Building, without being duly incorporated, Mr. Han, the manager, was fined \$50 on appearance before Mr. Williams in the Central Police Court this morning. Mr. E. H. Lang, Registrar, was present in Court. Mr. Horace Lo, defending, spoke at length on the term "carrying on business." He explained that the head office of the Company was in Shanghai, and Mr. Han had opened a Hong Kong office with the intention of making it a branch office. However, owing to technical difficulties it was not found possible to do so. There was no intention of deceiving the public.

Mr. Ping Yee-ho, of 11, York Road, Kowloon Tong, has notified the Police of the loss of his Plymouth car, valued at \$1,800, which his driver parked in Salson Street last night.

The master of the s.s. Fooshing reports that on November 2 his ship passed the wreck of a junk with a red light showing floating in the middle of Chuapli Channel, off Lankit Island, in the approaches to the Canton River. The wreck is a danger to navigation.

As a sequel to a recent fire at No. 83, Reclamation Street, a tailor named Lam Chi was charged with arson at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon. Dr. E. R. Dovey, Government Analyst, gave evidence of examining a kerosene tin containing charred pieces of wood, paper and cloth, also two lamps the reservoirs of which contained kerosene. Evidence of the activities of the Fire Brigade was given by Station Officer Cash, Mongkok Fire Station. The hearing was adjourned.

### Personal Pars.

Mr. J. W. Franks, Superintendent of Prisons, returned from Malaya on an official mission of enquiry by the s.s. Ulysses.

General Sir William McCracken, K.C.B., arrived here by the s.s. Ulysses. He has served in the Egyptian Campaign, the South African War, and the Great War (despatches seven times, promoted Major-General and Lieutenant General). He was connected with the 2nd Battalion Royal Berkshire Regiment and was placed on retired pay in 1922.

The forthcoming weddings are announced of Arthur Brailsford, radio engineer, of 14, Conduit Road, and Caroline Mary Hardinge, of 13, Wing Lok Road, Wing Lok Buildings, Kowloon; and of Antonio Ferreira Batalha Silva-Netto, jun., engineer, of 298, Boundary Road, Kowloon, and Anne Josephine Barnes, of 87, Granville Road, Kowloon.

### CHINA EXHIBITION.

#### Opening To-morrow in the City Hall.

At 3 o'clock to-morrow, the China Exhibition will be opened by His Excellency the Governor and Sir Shou-son Chow. The Exhibition will be continued on Friday and Saturday. On Friday, the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern and Dr. Kotewall will declare the Exhibition open, whilst on Saturday the ceremony will be performed by Sir Joseph Kemp and Dr. S. W. T'so.

In addition to the many unique attractions of the Exhibition which have already been announced, there is a number of Sales Stalls where goods can be bought and money can be spent. But there will be no need to regret the money we spend at the China Exhibition. It will be money well spent. At the V.D.M.A. Stall, Mrs. M. H. Roffey has gathered together a wonderful collection of goods from all parts of China, including Peking glass, Peking jewellery, Peking rugs, Hankow silk pictures, Hankow fans, Shanghai linen, Foochow batique, etc.

Rattanware, ivory curios, silver ware, lanterns, and umbrellas which we see being made in the Exhibition may be bought at the Sales Stalls; whilst in addition stalls have been arranged where lacquer, tea, ginger, dried lalchees, china ware, silks, etc., may be purchased.

In this section also there are three stalls showing work done in local institutions, viz., the Blind Home, Pokfulam, the Salvation Army Women's Home, Kowloon, and the Eyre Refuge, Kowloon City; whilst a fourth stall will display work done by women prisoners in Victoria Jail, the profit on which is employed for the benefit of the prisoners on release.

Teas will be served at the Exhibition from 3.30 p.m. to 6 p.m. and Chinese dinners from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tables for the dinners may be booked beforehand on application to Miss B. Mow Fung, c/o Gilman & Co. (Tel. 28011).

The ordinary admission to the Exhibition is \$1 but Service men (in uniform) and children under 12 are admitted at 50 cents.

### CORRESPONDENCE.

#### INEFFICIENT OR INSUFFICIENT CABLE SERVICES.

[To the Editor of "China Mail"]

Sir.—The following, taken from the London Daily Mirror of September 29, is interesting in view of the recent further slump in value of the pound sterling—a large contributory cause of the increased rate of Hong Kong exchange on London. The article is sent you as showing that the present position was then forecast in London, and in the hope that those responsible for our cable services, at this critical time, will see that news of this kind is of much more vital interest here than reports of e.g., Home sports results, and, accordingly see to it that we are better served.

Whilst every one was expecting some recovery in value of the pound sterling after the Elections, the opposite has been seen; no doubt due to causes known in London (but not cabled to Hong Kong), over a month ago. It is barely a week since dumping of goods in Britain was here cited as a contributory cause of the pound's further decline—yet the inference in the article is patent—especially in the last paragraph.

The following is the article:—  
Enormous leap in Dumped Goods.

Imports of Hosiery eleven times normal amounts.

Pressing Danger.

Owing to expectations of tariffs in Britain, unprecedented dumping of foreign goods is occurring. Foreign manufacturers of all sorts are hurrying enormous quantities of goods to Britain in order to evade the tariff they see ahead.

Sir Gilbert Vyse at the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce yesterday urged that the Government should be warned of the present enormously increased flow of imports.

The quantity of hosiery sent from abroad recently was eleven times the normal amount and enough to stock the country for nine or twelve months. This was happening also in the hardware trade, and a large variety of other manufactured goods. In the present difficult times these increased imports were constituting an immediate extra danger.

Nine months' supply in one month must be paid for immediately instead of the money flowing out normally.

Yours, etc.,

CROSS RATE.

Hong Kong, Nov. 4.

### LONDON EXCHANGES

Rugby, Yesterday.

Paris	94½
New York	3.72
Montreal	4.14½
Brussels	26½
Geneva	19½

—British Wireless Service.  
[Reception had owing to bad atmospheric conditions; other usual quotations omitted.]

Prisoner, addressing a witness at Marlborough Street: Your cafe is a notorious place. I lost a bottle of whisky, and I am a Scotsman.

### To-day's Thought.

It takes a mighty strong man to throw off a depressing thought.

### Ten Years Ago.

[From the "China Mail" of November 4, 1921.]

To-day's dollar is worth 2/8 7/8.

We understand that arrangements have been made, subject to approval of shareholders concerned, for the amalgamation of the business of Messrs. Lane, Crawford & Co. and W. Man's, Ltd.

The intention is to erect a large and up-to-date store on the site now occupied by Messrs. Wiseman's in Des Voeux Road Central for the accommodation of the business.

For the purposes of amalgamation, Messrs. Lane, Crawford, who have hitherto been a private firm, will be floated as a limited liability company.



## ODD JOBS OF SOCIETY LEADERS

### TITLED PEOPLE WHO EARN THEIR LIVING.

Debrett—that dignified red and gold-bound record of the peerage—may have to be drastically revised one day if people of title continue to turn themselves into navvies, painters and decorators, publicans, book publishers, fish-and-chip sellers, motor-car drivers, mechanics, and kitchen hands.

The story of the navy-baronet, Sir Charles Durnett Buckworth-Herne-Soame, which appeared in the Sunday's "Observer" has raised the question: "How many peers and peeresses are working for their living in England to-day?" Sir Charles is now living on the dole after having finished a job as a labourer.

Ever since the war ended they have been drifting into commerce and trade.

But, although some people of title take to unaccustomed occupations to supplement their incomes, it must be remembered that many of them do so from a pure spirit of enterprise and not because of financial considerations.

The City provides a living for an uncounted number of peers and baronets. Others turn from commerce, banking, and the Stock Exchange and, like the young and enterprising Earl of March, who drives and sells motor-cars, take off their coats and really get down to hard toil.

#### Handyman Baronet.

Forty-years as a "Jack-of-all-trades" was the proud boast of Sir John Fagge, the handyman baronet, when he came to England from America eighteen months ago. Sir John had driven a tramcar, worked as a waiter, a docker, a boot and shoe assistant, a factory hand, and an insurance agent.

Three years ago Lord Burgh rolled up his sleeves, opened a basement shop in Kensington, and made and sold women's hats.

The youngest son of Lord and Lady Dynevor was found one day in the kitchen of one of London's great hotels shelling peas and peeling onions with interest.

The market porters of East Smithfield were almost tongue-tied when they dropped into the Hand and Shears tavern one day for their mid-day "arf-and-arf" and found a new host pulling the beer. It was Earl Beauchamp's brother, Major the-Hon. Henry Lygon, who had just bought the licence of this ancient and picturesque City hostelry.

#### Motor Salesmen.

Lord Portarlington joined a firm of coach-builders a year ago. He actually invented an adjustable seat

to accommodate a motorist of any size.

Both the Earl of Northesk and Lord Cottenham went in for selling motor-cars. Lord Lathom and Prince George of Russia have done interior decorating.

Young Lord Ossulston has piloted an air-taxi. A few months ago the Marquis of Carisbrooke, the King's cousin and a brother of the ex-Queen of Spain was found in working-class Camberwell, learning the job of a social organiser for a huge block of tenements.

"Cecil Glenarthur. Cars for hire at moderate prices." This notice outside a shop at Nice told recently of how Lord Glenarthur was earning his living on the Riviera.

**Social Experiment.**

Lord Howard of Effingham, eldest son of the Earl of Effingham, said, "I must earn my living somehow" when he joined a stockbroking firm in Sheffield. He had previously tried his hand in the basement of a haberdasher's at Manchester.

Lord Hamilton of Dalzell, as a social experiment, opened a milk shop in Glasgow. Lord Gorell became a publisher, and Lord Burghley, one of England's most famous athletes, became branch manager of an insurance company.

The Marquis of Milford Haven, whose mother is a first cousin of the King, went to America at the beginning of the year to take a temporary job in a Wall Street office.

But the baronet who returned to his job as a liftman after claiming his title is one of the queerest cases in democratic Debrett. He was Sir Reginald Beatty Wolsley, who made a special trip to England to claim his baronetcy and then went back to Iowa and his lift.

**Dress Designing.**  
The Duchess of Portland cooked and sold fish and chips one night in Mansfield. It was to help the proprietor, a man named Burton, whom she had befriended years ago when he met with an accident. The duchess took enough fish and chips for six people home with her in her motor-car.

Many peeresses have opened hat shops and designed dresses. One titled woman who became a laundress set a brand new fashion. She was Roberta Lady Ossulston, the first wife of the eldest son of the Earl of Tankerville. "I am taking laundry work," said Lady Ossulston at the time, "because I feel that laundries need capable direction by a woman."

A peeress once took out a hawk's licence, and for years a titled woman ran a coffee stall in London.

## A PRINCE OF OUDH

I imagine that there are few left in India to whom the bald announcement of the death in Calcutta of Prince Mirza Muhammed Moqeen Bahadur, a grandson of Wajid Ali Shah, the last King of Oudh, will have brought a stab of pain; but as one honoured with his friendship, I feel that I want to stand at the salute while Prince Mirza's bier passes by. I knew him in the years 1904 and onwards. He called on me in a difficulty. The Oudh Family had for years been getting poorer and poorer, and one of the Begums wished to raise money on her share of the Oudh property. Would I come and advise her?

When England assumed the sovereignty of India, as every schoolboy knows, a treaty was made with the then King of Oudh, Wajid Ali Shah, under which he evacuated Oudh and was given valuable and extensive property in Calcutta. On the wreckage of this my friend subsisted. It must have been exquisite in its day. Lordly buildings stretched along the river opposite to the Gardens now known as the Botanical Gardens, which the kindly ones used, no doubt, as their private preserves, leaving the rose and jasmine enclosures at the palace to their workmen, who were then as now strictly Purdahashin (secluded). Outside the gates on the landward side was Oudh property also. The exchange had been handsomely made. Ruins of little cell-like single-eyed houses ambled down the road that leads to St. George's Dock. The 500 houses of the King's 500 concubines, said my friend Prince Mirza showing them to me. The late asylum of the concubines was

then of not marketable value.

We drove on to the Palace. There was a gateway which would do honour to a reigning Sovereign, with a Nautab Khana (House of Music) sitting astride the archway—the brave "aide to face the world with." A single custodian in tatters, albeit tatters of red cloth and gold lace, threw the gates open with a flourish. I could have cried: desolation upon desolation was what the Gateway had hidden. That gossamer army of pillars standing in nettles must have been the Durbar Hall; and there, where a broken window frame looked out on to a marble platform near a fountain, was the King's House of Dreams. There was nothing of masonry which could give shelter even to straying cattle. One passed on along a brick pathway to "the Inside," or women's apartments. Here the roses and jasmines were rioting in a wild tangle, and there were just a few liveable rooms clutching on to one another inside the Zenana courtyard. The long inner room was the Zenana, and had to serve four generations; the Prince and his sons lived in an annex close by.

After the annexation of Oudh, Prince Mirza told me, the late King's mother made a pilgrimage to Mecca and to London to see if the annexation could be annulled. They had a terrible voyage, and the old lady died at sea. The rest of the party went to London and met with such kindness from the Queen and the Royal Family "that," as Prince Mirza said in his country way, "we could not regret a circumstance which had broken us so noble a Cornelia Sorabji in The Times.

## ENGLISH ASSOCIATION BEAUTY OF JAPAN. MEETING.

### Office-Bearers for Next Year.

#### GENERAL MEETING.

A meeting of the English Association was held yesterday afternoon at the Helena May Institute. His Excellency the Governor, Sir William Peel, presided.

Office bearers were then elected as follows:

President.—His Excellency, Sir William Peel.  
Vice-Presidents.—The Right Reverend Bishop C. R. Duppuy, Sir Joseph Kemp, the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, H. E. Major-General J. W. Sandilands, the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern and the Hon. Mr. A. E. Wood.

Members of the Committee.—Sister Beatrice, Mr. A. M. Bowes-Smith, Father Byrne, S.J., Hon. Mr. H. T. Cressy, Prof. L. Forster, Mr. Ho Leung, Miss H. D. Sawyer, Miss H. P. Skinner, Mrs. W. T. Southern, the Hon. Dr. S. W. T'o, and Mr. H. K. Woo.

Hon. Sec. and Treas.—Professor R. K. M. Simpson.

Mr. G. P. de Martin delivered an address on "People Who Read and Write History."

friendship; and we returned to our country content with the will of God."

One day I asked Prince Mirza about the old King of Oudh. "One has read that he was more poet than King, and retirement must have been not unpleasant."

"Yes, he loved making bad Persian couplets; but he loved being a King too; and never more than when he could no longer be a King. And after all he was a very good King. He did the only thing that a King should do—he heard petitions; and if there had been occasion, he would have used the power of a King. Indeed, he did use that power in the bestowal of favours."

He sat all day in his room writing Persian verse; but every evening he drove abroad. Behind his carriage was a big box with a slit in it like a letter box. He drove slowly, and the poorest beggar might drop a petition or complaint into the box. Among the petitions might be Persian couplets; and because of a good couplet a beggar might become a courtier and one of his favourite Ministers."

"Yes, but if the favourite Minister failed to appreciate the King's own verses or jokes he might, I have heard, have his head cut off the next day."

"Oh, yes," said the Prince lightly, "but they gladly took that chance, in the Oudh of my grandfather's day."

The Prince was kind enough to come to tea with me occasionally, bringing with him his eldest son. He was a delightfully archaic figure, in his Persian hat and long coat, and his perfect manners.

An English guest on one occasion was Sir Valentine Chitrol. We had had some political trouble in Bengal, and the Prince arrived full of talk.

I asked him what he would do if he were King in the then difficulties. "Quite easy," he said. "It is an economic question. The people are hungry. They want cheap bread. There are banias who have stores of grain, and are hoarding it in order to raise the price. I would order them to sell at a prescribed rate per maund."

"And if they did not obey?"

"They would be trampled to death by wild elephants; and I would seize the grain for my people."

"How would you deal with X, Y, Z?" (notables in the anti-Government movement).

"That is also easy," he replied. "I would set up three gibbets on that Maidan there, and hang one on each. The occasion would be announced as a public holiday by beat of drums."

We laughingly remarked that it was lucky he was not King.

"Oh, but this very week I have been invited to be King. Those same men whom I would have hanged came to me and offered to make me King of India and pay my debts if I joined in their political agitation." He had been talking with a twinkle in his eye; a courteous, pleasant guest at a tea-party. But now he looked stern, and drew himself up; he was the descendant of a King. He said: "When we bargained with England and exchanged India for a property in Garden Reach—we did our last deal. That was what I told them. And they went quietly away."

## Depicted by the Nation's Artists.

### LOCAL EXHIBITION.

The beauty of Japan cannot be described in mere words. The task would be far too difficult, even if it were to tell of the wonders of one little piece of the land. Japan is a paradise of all that is beautiful in its most natural form. Her artists are all born painters, and their skill with the brush and colour is unsurpassable. Each painting is a masterpiece, and that verdict nobody can deny.

Lovers of art would be well advised to pay a visit to Komor & Komor's Autumn exhibition, which opened this morning for ten days, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., each day. Early visitors will be able to obtain first pick of the splendid array of pictures, which are tastefully displayed in spacious accommodation. There are about five hundred pictures of different sizes on view, and the prices range from \$3.80 upward.

#### An Old Favourite.

The old favourite artist, Terauchi, figures prominently in the exhibition, as most of the pictures are works of his skilled hands. He is one of the foremost painters of Japan in the present time. No. 1, which depicts fishermen on the shores of Odawara Sea, at sunset, is most effective; and the artist has given it a good finishing touch. No. 5, a bamboo forest scene at Neguro, in Tokyo, is also effective. Terauchi has been given a clever knowledge of the different shades of green, in the texture of the plants. No. 62, depicting a scene of the Alps of Japan, is a masterpiece. Terauchi's scene of Kamakura, (No. 64) the famous Buddha's abode, is good.

This artist is also responsible for No. 75, a scene at sunset at the Kamakura Sea; also No. 77, a typical village scene at Hodoigaya.

A Wonderful Masterpiece.  
Y. Benson exhibits the largest picture on view. This is a wonderful masterpiece, and is entitled "Storm." The artist here has used the brush very capably, and has depicted the seafaring fishing craft, battling with the heavy seas, with reality.

Kobayashi, another old-timer, scores highly with No. 99, a beautiful picture of Nikko bridge. The contrast shown is admirable, and the reflection on the placid waters below, is really effective. In No. 49, a scene at Ofuna, Kobayashi gives a remarkable good study of mist. A newcomer is Aoki. This artist shines with No. 32, which depicts rapids in the Kiso River, and also does very well with No. 24, showing Nagatani, and No. 26, Higurawa in Kyoto, another clever study of rapids.

#### Hong Kong "China Town."

C. Ozaki, another new name in the exhibition, has an oil painting of Hong Kong "China Town" on way. This picture makes interesting study, and the artist has used his colours with discretion. It is an outstanding exhibit.

Ryuko, the woman artist, and Nakayama, the male portrait painter, have many novel studies on view. Other artists who contribute in no small measure to the success of the exhibition are Keisaku, Kiwasaki, and H. Ito.

The exhibition is well worth a visit.

Mr. N. Maclean (Sec. Govan) rose to put a point of order in a recent debate. Reminded by cries of "Hat hat" that members can, during divisions, only put questions to the Speaker when seated and covered, he sat down and glanced around to see from whom he could borrow headgear. No male member in the vicinity could supply his need, but Mrs. Manning (Sec. Wellington, E.) proffered her brown felt trimmed with birds wings. It was passed forward, but Mr. Maclean, after eyeing it for an instant, tossed it back.

## THE STORY OF KING TAI SHUN.

### A Chinese Historical Play.

The opening scene shows Tai Shun in his palace, happy in his recent appointment as an important official. So marked was his ability and so fine his character that news of him had reached even the King. The King not only appointed him to a high office but sent two of his own daughters to be his wives. The first scene shows him at play with his young wives. His younger half-brother hovers about jealous of his good fortune and happiness.

The younger brother plans to destroy Tai Shun, and take his place and possessions. He makes two attempts. He pretends that a message comes from their father, telling them to store the rice securely in the family store-houses, for filial piety demands that even the greatest render humble service to a parent. While Tai Shun is in the loft, the brother takes away the ladder, and sets fire to the store-house. However, Tai Shun suspects in time to slip through the roof and down to the ground. He is Heaven's favourite.

Another time the brother pretends that their father orders them to clean the well. As soon as Tai Shun descends, the brother covers over the opening with earth, and is sure that at last he has seen the end of his brother, but Heaven provides a subterranean passage, so that Tai Shun escapes unharmed.

The brother thinking he has disposed of the detested Tai Shun, appears in front of the stage, counting the possessions he supposes he has acquired, armour, harps, palace, wives and high office. To his surprise, music falls on his ears. He enters the palace to discover Tai Shun absorbed in the dancing of his graceful wives. Instead of wrath and vengeance Tai Shun greets him with forgiveness. The scene ends with the two brothers as friends. Together they watch the dancing of the palace maidens.

Tai Shun's gentleness overcomes his brother's hatred. Later the King, recognizing the nobility of Tai Shun, declares him heir to the throne in place of his own worthless son. When Tai Shun ascends the throne, he is able to entrust to his brother the governorship of an important province.

This play will be presented at the China Exhibition by Young Cheung School on Friday and Saturday at 6.30 p.m.

## A WEEK'S DISEASES.

### An Imported Case of Diphtheria.

#### 51 TUBERCULOSIS DEATHS.

The official return of diseases and deaths during the week ended October 31 is as follows:—

Cases	Deaths
Typhoid fever .....	7
Diphtheria .....	5
Cerebro-spinal fever ..	1
Tuberculosis .....	51

One case of diphtheria was imported.

Summary to October 31.  
The returns from January 1 to October 31 give the following figures:—

Cases	Deaths
Typhoid fever .....	184
Small-pox .....	14
Scarlet fever .....	8
Diphtheria .....	35
Cerebro-spinal fever ..	19
Puerperal fever .....	15
Paratyphoid fever .....	1
Tuberculosis .....	2,531

Twenty-one of the typhoid cases were non-Chinese, as were three scarlet fever cases, one small-pox case, one cerebro-spinal fever case, and 29 diphtheria cases.

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- CB334—Don Fabricio .....Tango Argentino
- An Old Spanish Tango .....Tango
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- Lucerne .....Waltz
- CB319—Let Love Take Care of You .....Fox Trot
- If I Could Turn Back the Clock .....Fox Trot
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- The Belle of Barcelona .....One Step
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### MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Members are notified that they and their Ladies must wear their Badges prominently displayed.

No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5 for Gentlemen and \$3 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the Secretary upon introduction by a member, such member to be responsible for payment of all bills, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will not be on sale at the Race Course.

Members can obtain upon application to the Secretary Badges (limited to ONE) for the free admission to the Members' Enclosure of wives, lady relatives and friends. Names must be stated when applying.

On no pretext will children be permitted in either Enclosure during the Meeting.

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### By Order.

C. B. BROWN, Secretary.

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## HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Opening Daily Official Quotations 4th Nov., 1931.

Next Settlement Day, Tuesday, 24th November, 1931.

STOCK	Buy- ers	Sell- ers	Sales	Yom.	Fin. year	Last dividend and when paid
<b>Banks.</b>						
Hong Kong Bank .....	\$	1050	...	...	Dec.	Interim 2 1/2 at 1-1-30 Aug. 10, 31
Chartered Bank .....	\$	...	18 1/2	...	Dec.	Int. 7 1/2 at 1-1-30 Sep. 31
Mercantile Bk., Ltd. ....	\$	...	18	...	Dec.	Int. 7 1/2 at 1-1-30 Sep. 31
Bank of China .....	\$	...	10	...	...	...
Bank of Asia .....	\$	...	134	...	Dec.	8 1/2 for 1931 Feb. 28, 31
<b>Insurance.</b>						
Canton Ins. ....	\$	...	1500	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 May 18, 31
Union Ins. ....	\$	125	129 1/2	25	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 May 27, 31
China Underwriters .....	\$	...	510 1/2	15	Dec.	None
China Fire Ins. ....	\$	...	550	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 May 30, 31
H. K. Fire Ins. ....	\$	...	1450	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Mar. 30, 31
<b>Shipping.</b>						
China S. S. Co. ....	\$	32 1/2	...	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1931 ...
K. S. Steamships .....	\$	...	25 1/2	...	Dec.	8 1/2 for 1931 Nons for 1930 ...
China (Prel.) .....	\$	...	95	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Jun. 10, 31
(Def.) .....	\$	...	17	...	...	...
China Mail .....	\$	...	40 1/2	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Jul. 6, 31
China Waterways .....	\$	...	28	...	Dec.	8 1/2 for 1931 Mar. 31, 31
<b>Mining.</b>						
China S. S. Co. ....	\$	...	10 1/2	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Sept. 30, 31
China S. S. Co. ....	\$	...	39 1/2	...	June	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Dec. 30, 31
China S. S. Co. ....	\$	...	4.95	...	Oct.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 May 8, 31
China S. S. Co. ....	\$	...	2	...	...	...
China S. S. Co. ....	\$	...	88	...	Mar.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Sep. 30, 31
<b>Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &amp;c.</b>						
H. K. & W. Docks .....	\$	80 1/2	...	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1931 ...
H. K. & W. Docks .....	\$	...	10	...	...	...
H. K. & W. Docks .....	\$	...	12	...	...	...
H. K. & W. Docks .....	\$	5.80	6 1/2	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 April 8, 31
H. K. & W. Docks .....	\$	9.20	2.40	...	...	...
H. K. & W. Docks .....	\$	...	240	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Oct. 2, 31
H. K. & W. Docks .....	\$	...	6	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Mar. 4, 31
H. K. & W. Docks .....	\$	...	07	...	Apr.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 July 30, 31
<b>Lands, Hotels &amp; Buildings.</b>						
H. K. & S. H. (old) .....	\$	10 1/2	...	...	Dec.	80 cents for 1930 ...
H. K. & S. H. (new) .....	\$	...	14 1/2	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Apr. 15, 31
H. K. & S. H. (old) .....	\$	92 1/2	83	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Aug. 15, 31
H. K. & S. H. (new) .....	\$	...	18 1/2	...	Dec.	80 cents for 1930 ...
H. K. & S. H. (old) .....	\$	18.40	...	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Sept. 1, 31
H. K. & S. H. (new) .....	\$	...	04	...	Feb.	80 cents for 1931 ...
<b>Cotton Mills.</b>						
H. K. & S. H. (old) .....	\$	16.30	...	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Mar. 12, 31
H. K. & S. H. (new) .....	\$	...	01	...	Apr.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 May 31, 31
H. K. & S. H. (old) .....	\$	12 1/2	...	...	June	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Oct. 8, 31
<b>Public Utilities.</b>						
H. K. & S. H. (old) .....	\$	22	21 1/2	00	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Aug. 30, 31
H. K. & S. H. (new) .....	\$	...	6.85	...	Apr.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 June 15, 31
H. K. & S. H. (old) .....	\$	92 1/2	...	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Feb. 15, 31
H. K. & S. H. (new) .....	\$	...	26	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Aug. 30, 31
H. K. & S. H. (old) .....	\$	20 1/2	...	...	Sept.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Dec. 15, 31
H. K. & S. H. (new) .....	\$	70 1/2	77	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Mar. 15, 31
H. K. & S. H. (old) .....	\$	...	20	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Aug. 4, 31
H. K. & S. H. (new) .....	\$	...	12	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Feb. 30, 31
H. K. & S. H. (old) .....	\$	...	43	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Aug. 4, 31
H. K. & S. H. (new) .....	\$	...	17.90	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Feb. 30, 31
H. K. & S. H. (old) .....	\$	...	1 1/2	...	Sept.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Feb. 5, 31
H. K. & S. H. (new) .....	\$	...	19 1/2	...	Sept.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Feb. 5, 31
<b>Industrial.</b>						
H. K. & S. H. (old) .....	\$	...	50 1/2	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Mar. 4, 31
H. K. & S. H. (new) .....	\$	...	39	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Mar. 4, 31
H. K. & S. H. (old) .....	\$	...	14	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Mar. 4, 31
H. K. & S. H. (new) .....	\$	...	10 1/2	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Mar. 4, 31
H. K. & S. H. (old) .....	\$	...	6.90	...	July	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Oct. 9, 31
H. K. & S. H. (new) .....	\$	80	20	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Mar. 18, 31
H. K. & S. H. (old) .....	\$	...	18 1/2	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Mar. 18, 31
H. K. & S. H. (new) .....	\$	...	6	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Mar. 18, 31
H. K. & S. H. (old) .....	\$	...	17 1/2	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Mar. 18, 31
<b>Stores, &amp;c.</b>						
H. K. & S. H. (old) .....	\$	30 1/2	...	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Mar. 18, 31
H. K. & S. H. (new) .....	\$	10 1/2	...	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Mar. 18, 31
H. K. & S. H. (old) .....	\$	...	1	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Mar. 18, 31
H. K. & S. H. (new) .....	\$	...	7.10	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Mar. 18, 31
H. K. & S. H. (old) .....	\$	...	6 1/2	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Mar. 18, 31
H. K. & S. H. (new) .....	\$	...	19	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Mar. 18, 31
H. K. & S. H. (old) .....	\$	15 1/2	...	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Mar. 18, 31
H. K. & S. H. (new) .....	\$	...	9.60	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Mar. 18, 31
<b>Miscellaneous.</b>						
H. K. & S. H. (old) .....	\$	...	29 1/2	...	Mar.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Sept. 30, 31
H. K. & S. H. (new) .....	\$	...	15 1/2	...	Mar.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Sept. 30, 31
H. K. & S. H. (old) .....	\$	...	15	...	Mar.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Sept. 30, 31
H. K. & S. H. (new) .....	\$	...	11	...	Mar.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Sept. 30, 31
H. K. & S. H. (old) .....	\$	6.10	6.15	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Apr. 28, 31
H. K. & S. H. (new) .....	\$	...	37 1/2	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Apr. 28, 31
H. K. & S. H. (old) .....	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Apr. 28, 31
H. K. & S. H. (new) .....	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	Int. 4 1/2 at 1-1-30 Apr. 28, 31





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<b>SAN FRANCISCO via Shanghai, Japan Ports &amp; Honolulu.</b>			
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<b>SEATTLE, VANCOUVER via Shanghai &amp; Japan Ports.</b>			
HEIAN MARU (Onaka direct)	Tuesday	10th November	
HIKAWA MARU	Tuesday	15th December	
<b>LONDON, MARSEILLES, ANTWERP &amp; ROTTERDAM via Singapore, Penang, Colombo &amp; Suez.</b>			
KASHIMA MARU	Saturday	14th November	
YASUKUNI MARU	Friday	4th December	
<b>SYDNEY &amp; MELBOURNE via Manila &amp; Ports.</b>			
KITANO MARU	Saturday	21st November	
ATSUTA MARU	Saturday	20th December	
<b>BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang, &amp; Colombo.</b>			
IYO MARU	Thursday	12th November	
↑ TOTORI MARU	Friday	27th November	
<b>SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.</b>			
↑ GINYO MARU	Wednesday	25th November	
<b>NEW YORK, BOSTON via Panama.</b>			
↑ TAKAKA MARU	Thursday	10th December	
<b>LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Stamboul (Constantinople), Genoa &amp; Marseilles.</b>			
↑ TOYOOKA MARU	Friday	13th November	
<b>CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang &amp; Rangoon.</b>			
↑ MALACCA MARU	Sunday	8th November	
↑ AKITA MARU	Sunday	15th November	
<b>SHANGHAI, KOBE &amp; YOKOHAMA.</b>			
SUWA MARU	Saturday	14th November	
↑ TOKIWA MARU	Tuesday	17th November	
ATSUTA MARU (Nagasaki direct)	Friday	20th November	
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<b>RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS &amp; BUENOS AIRES via</b>			
Rio de Janeiro Maru	Thurs.	5th Nov.	
Montevideo Maru	Fri.	4th Dec.	
<b>COLOMBIA, ZANZIBAR, DAR-ES-SALAAM, BEIRA, LOURENÇO, MARQUES, DURBAN, PORT ELIZABETH &amp; CAPE TOWN THENCE TO RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS &amp; BUENOS AIRES via Singapore &amp; Colombo.</b>			
Arabia Maru	Wed.	4th Nov.	
Manila Maru	Sun.	20th Nov.	
<b>BRISBANE, SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, AUCKLAND &amp; WELLINGTON via Manila.</b>			
Melbourne Maru	Fri.	6th Nov.	
<b>JAPAN PORTS (Frequent Services).</b>			
Paris Maru	Wed.	4th Nov.	
London Maru	Sun.	8th Nov.	
<b>NEW YORK via Japan ports, Los Angeles &amp; Panama. Call Direct at Boston, Philadelphia &amp; Baltimore.</b>			
Kwanai Maru	Sat.	12th Dec.	
<b>BOMBAY via Singapore, Belawan Deli &amp; Rangoon.</b>			
Madras Maru	Thurs.	5th Nov.	
Shunko Maru	Thurs.	19th Nov.	
<b>TAIPHONG via Hoihow.</b>			
Menado Maru	Thurs.	12th Nov.	
<b>KEELUNG via Swatow &amp; Amoy (3 p.m. every Sunday).</b>			
Canton Maru	Mon.	9th Nov.	
Hokan Maru	Sun.	15th Nov.	
<b>JAPAN PORTS</b>			
Burma Maru	Fri.	6th Nov.	
Canada Maru	Mon.	9th Nov.	
<b>TAKAO via Swatow &amp; Amoy (Fortnightly).</b>			
Dell Maru	Thurs.	19th Nov.	

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SAILING DATES FOR NOV., 1931 (Subject to Change).

DEPARTURE HOURS: Hong Kong 5.30 p.m., Wuchow 3 p.m.

Steamer	Leaves Hong Kong	Arrives Wuchow	Leaves Wuchow	Arrives Hong Kong
TAI MING	MON. 9th	WED. 11th	THURS. 12th	FRI. 13th
TAI MING	SUN. 15th	TUES. 17th	WED. 18th	THURS. 19th
TAI MING	FRI. 20th	SUN. 22nd	MON. 23rd	TUES. 24th
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M. Canton, a well-known Paris theatrical manager, was killed when motoring with his wife near Montclair. His car skidded and struck a tree.



### ARRIVALS OF SHIPS.

Monday, November 2.  
Talyuan, British str., 2,100 tons, Capt. R. Robertson, from Amoy, buoy No. B20.—B. & S.

Tuesday, November 3.  
Arabia Maru, Japanese str., 5,935 tons, Capt. I. Kurimura, from Moji, buoy No. A11.—O.S.K.

Dell Maru, Japanese str., 1,293 tons, Capt. E. Sanada, from Canton, buoy No. B23.—O.S.K.

Foehing, British str., 1,423 tons, Capt. A. F. Summerfield, from Canton, buoy No. B21.—J. M. & Co.

Gertrude, Danish str., 3,155 tons, Captain C. Nielsen, from Shanghai, Stonecutters.—Jensen & Co.

Kiangsu, British str., 1,556 tons, Capt. A. F. Summerfield, from Swatow, buoy No. B3.—B. & S.

Klungchow, British str., 1,546 tons, Capt. R. Allison, from Swatow, buoy No. B15.—B. & S.

Lyceum, British str., 1,734 tons, Capt. E. Holmes, from Singapore, buoy No. B16.—Kwong Nam & Co.

Nanning, British str., 1,485 tons, Captain J. S. Anderson, from Canton, buoy No. B20.—B. & S.

Kingyuan, British str., 1,546 tons, Capt. J. Taylor, from Hoihow, buoy No. B14.—B. & S.

Sandviken, Norwegian str., 1,775 tons, Captain Norvalis, from Swatow, West Point Wharf.—J. M. & Co.

Tonjer, Norwegian str., 1,949 tons, Capt. H. Rasmussen, from Canton, buoy No. B25.—Dodwell & Co.

Trollus, British str., 4,753 tons, Capt. J. Agnew, from Dairen, Holt's Wharf.—B. & S.

### CONSIGNEES.

THE EAST ASIATIC CO. LTD. COPENHAGEN.

The Motor Vessel, "MALAYA" having arrived. Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that all goods are being landed and placed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., where delivery can be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 8th November, 1931, at 4 p.m. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined by Messrs. Anderson & Ash on the 7th November, 1931, at 10 a.m.

All claims against the vessel must be presented to the Underwriter before the 11th November, 1931, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

**JOHN MANNERS & CO. LTD.** Agents.

Hong Kong, 2nd November, 1931.

### PASSENGER LISTS.

#### ARRIVALS.

Per R.M.S. Empress of Japan, November 4:—  
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Per s.s. Ulysses from United Kingdom via ports, November 3:—  
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#### CONSIGNEES' NOTICE

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### WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following British warships were in harbour to-day:—  
Berwick—In Talkoo Dock.  
Bruce—South wall.  
Kent—North arm.  
Marazion—North wall.  
Medway and submarines—West wall.  
Olin—North wall.  
Olympus—In dock.  
Perseus—In dock.  
Sepoy—East wall.  
Seraph—No. 12 buoy.  
Seraph—Kowloon Wharf.  
Somme—East wall.  
Sterling—No. 11 buoy.  
Stormcloud—No. 11 buoy.  
Tamar—Basin.  
Taranulua—In dock.  
Thracian—No. 12 buoy.  
Foreign Men-of-War.  
Craonne—French despatch.  
Fook On—Chinese transport.

### STEAMERS' MOVEMENTS.

The B.I. s.s. Takada left Singapore for this port on October 29, and is due here on November 5, a.m.

The P. & O. s.s. Kalyan from Hong Kong arrived at London on November 1 at midnight.

The m.v. Cingalese Prince from New York sailed from Kowloon on November 3, and is expected here on November 5 at daylight.

The P. & O. s.s. Rajputana left Singapore for this port on November 1 at 7 a.m. with the outward Home Mails, and is due here on November 6 at about 6 a.m.

The P. & O. s.s. Naldera left Shanghai for this port on November 3 at 4.30 p.m., and is due here on November 6 at about 6 a.m.

### HONG KONG TIDES.

The time used is Standard, or mean time of the meridian of 120 deg. E.; 00h. is midnight, 12hrs. is noon. The heights are referred to the datum of the largest scale Admiralty chart of the place and should be added to the depths given on the chart unless preceded by an asterisk (\*), when they should be subtracted from the depths.

—November 4 to 10, 1931.

DATE	HIGH WATER	LOW WATER
Nov.	Standard Times	Standard Times
Wed. 4	10 10	10 15
Thurs. 5	10 24	11 45
Fri. 6	10 38	12 30
Sat. 7	10 52	13 15
Sun. 8	11 06	14 00
Mon. 9	11 20	14 45
Tues. 10	11 34	15 30

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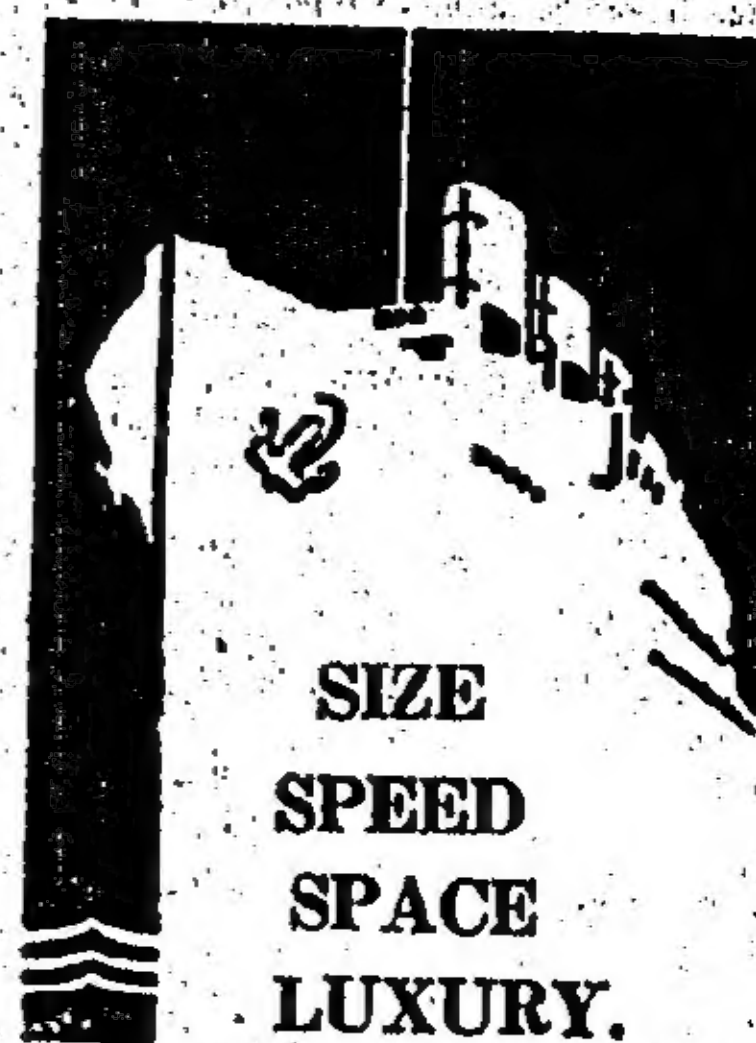
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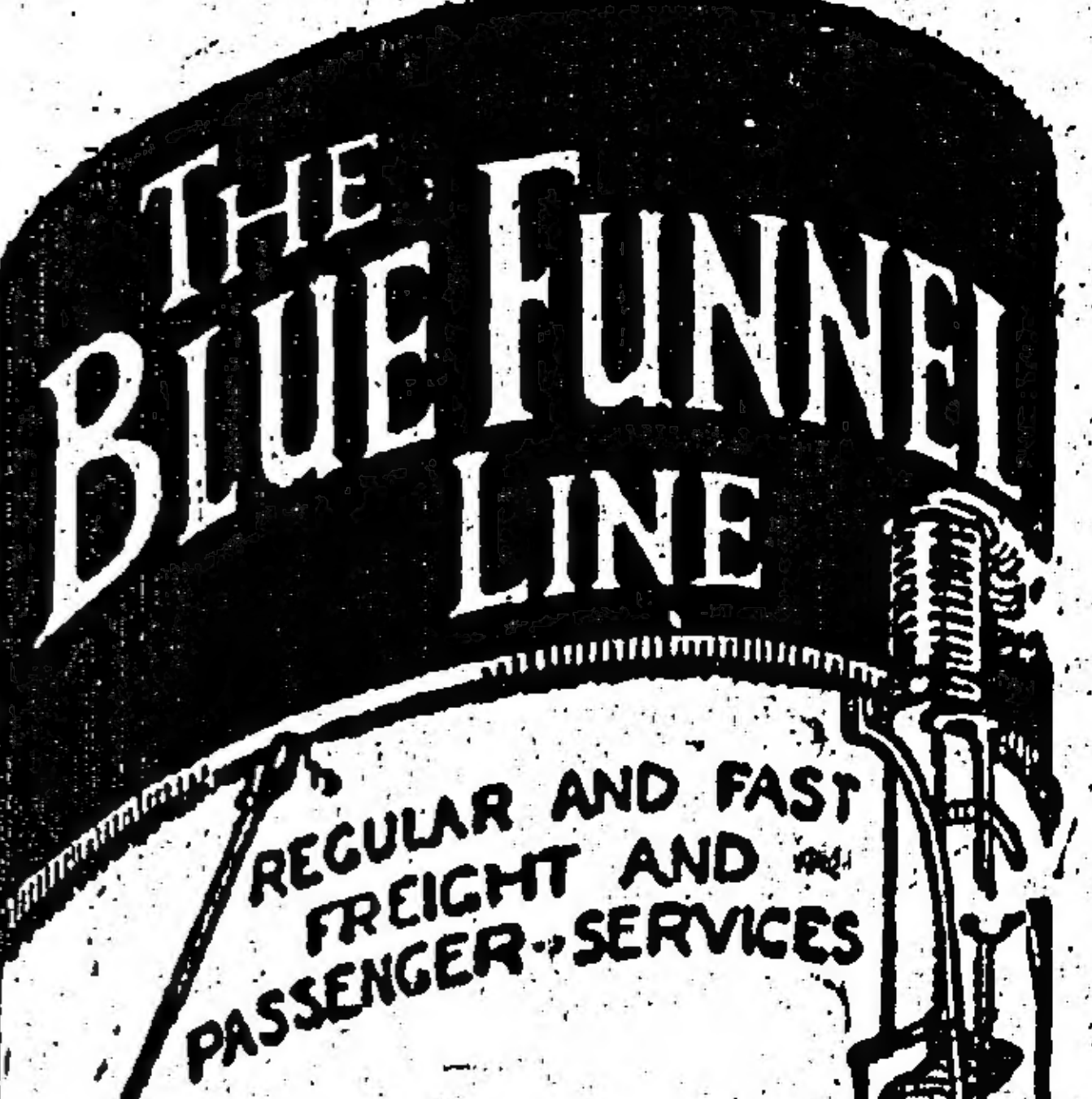
	Hong Kong	Shanghai	Nagasaki	Kobe	Yokohama	Honolulu	Vancouver
Emp. of Japan	Nov. 7	Nov. 10	Nov. 12	Nov. 14	Nov. 16	Nov. 18	Nov. 20
Emp. of Asia	Nov. 20	Nov. 23	Nov. 24	Nov. 26	Nov. 28	Nov. 30	Dec. 2
Emp. of Canada	Dec. 5	Dec. 8	Dec. 10	Dec. 12	Dec. 14	Dec. 16	Dec. 18
Emp. of Russia	Dec. 18	Dec. 21	Dec. 22	Dec. 24	Dec. 26	Dec. 28	Dec. 30
Emp. of Japan	Jan. 2	Jan. 5	Jan. 7	Jan. 9	Jan. 11	Jan. 13	Jan. 15
Emp. of Asia	Jan. 18	Jan. 21	Jan. 23	Jan. 25	Jan. 27	Jan. 29	Jan. 31
Emp. of Canada	Feb. 5	Feb. 8	Feb. 10	Feb. 12	Feb. 14	Feb. 16	Feb. 18
Emp. of Russia	Feb. 20	Feb. 23	Feb. 25	Feb. 27	Feb. 29	Mar. 2	Mar. 4
Emp. of Japan	Mar. 4	Mar. 7	Mar. 9	Mar. 11	Mar. 13	Mar. 15	Mar. 17
Emp. of Asia	Mar. 18	Mar. 21	Mar. 23	Mar. 25	Mar. 27	Mar. 29	Mar. 31
Emp. of Canada	Apr. 5	Apr. 8	Apr. 10	Apr. 12	Apr. 14	Apr. 16	Apr. 18
Emp. of Russia	Apr. 22	Apr. 25	Apr. 27	Apr. 29	May 1	May 3	May 5
Emp. of Japan	May 7	May 10	May 12	May 14	May 16	May 18	May 20
Emp. of Asia	May 20	May 23	May 25	May 27	May 29	May 31	Jun. 2
Emp. of Canada	Jun. 4	Jun. 7	Jun. 9	Jun. 11	Jun. 13	Jun. 15	Jun. 17
Emp. of Russia	Jun. 17	Jun. 20	Jun. 22	Jun. 24	Jun. 26	Jun. 28	Jun. 30

### HONG KONG—MANILA.

	Leave Hong Kong	Arrive Manila
EMPEROR OF ASIA	Nov. 12	Nov. 14
EMPEROR OF CANADA	Nov. 27	Nov. 29

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TAIPIING	Nov. 4	Nov. 10	Nov. 12	Dec. 6
CHANGTIE	Nov. 11	Nov. 17	Nov. 19	Dec. 13
TAIPIING	Nov. 18	Nov. 24	Nov. 26	Dec. 20

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*ALIPORE NALDERA	5,300 10,000	4th Nov. 7th Nov.	Straits, Colombo, Bombay & Karachi. Bombay, Marseilles & London.
*KASHGAR	9,000	21st Nov.	Marseilles, London, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
*KAJPUTANA *CORFU *SOMALI	17,000 15,000 8,800	5th Dec. 19th Dec. 26th Dec.	Marseilles & London. Marseilles & London. Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
RAWALPINDI CHITRAL	17,000 9,000	2nd Jan. 14th Jan.	Bombay, Marseilles & London. Marseilles, L'don, R'dam & A'werp.
*KASHMIR NALDERA *SUDAN	15,000 10,000 8,800	30th Jan. 13th Feb. 27th Feb.	Bombay, Marseilles & London. Marseilles, L'don, R'dam & A'werp. Bombay, Marseilles & London.
CARTHAGE KAJPUTANA CORFU RAWALPINDI RANPURA CHITRAL	15,000 17,000 15,000 17,000 17,000 15,000	12th Mar. 26th Mar. 9th Apr. 23rd Apr. 7th May 21st May	Marseilles & London. Marseilles & London. Marseilles & London. Bombay, Marseilles & London. Bombay, Marseilles & London. Bombay, Marseilles & London.

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TAKADA	7,000	7th Nov.	Amoy, S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KAJPUTANA	17,000	6th Nov.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
*KHIVA	9,000	8th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
*SOMALI	8,800	14th Nov.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
SIRDHANA	8,000	20th Nov.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
CORFU	15,000	20th Nov.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
*KHIBER	9,000	26th Nov.	Shanghai & Kobe.
TILAWA	10,000	4th Dec.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
RAWALPINDI	17,000	4th Dec.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
NANKIN	7,000	7th Dec.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Y'hama.
SANTHIA	8,000	18th Dec.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KARMALA	9,000	18th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
CHITRAL	15,000	1st Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
TALMA	10,000	3rd Jan.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
NELLORE	7,000	4th Jan.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Y'hama.
*KALYAN	9,000	9th Jan.	Shanghai & Kobe.
TAKADA	7,000	15th Jan.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
*KASHMIR	9,000	15th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*SUDAN	8,800	15th Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
NALDERA	10,000	20th Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
CARTHAGE	15,000	20th Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
KAJPUTANA	17,000	20th Feb.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.

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This in no wise invades the field of the marine companies which insure hulls and possibly cargoes for larger vessels as a rule. The new plan covers only the legal liability of the assured for damage which may be done by a boat to other persons and outside property.

After some months of investigation, the bureau experts have decided that from a hazard standpoint motor boats should be divided into two classes: (1) Outboard, covering boats equipped with outboard motors which are customarily detachable and portable; (2) Inboard, covering boats equipped with fixed engine. For the second class it has been decided that the hull may be of the open type, including runabouts, sedans, and similar craft, or the hulls may be equipped with a fixed enclosure, such as a cabin.

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It was found that the dominant factors affecting the hazards for motor boats are the speed and the length of the boats. Rates were, therefore, developed for each class, taking these two factors into consideration. The new rates provide the usual coverage in connection with the ownership, maintenance or use of motor boats of the private passenger type, for the legal liability of the assured as respects bodily injuries to any person or persons, except employees, and injury to or destruction of property of others, such as boats, piers, wharves, bridges, etc., except such property as may be in the care, custody, or control of the assured. In the insurance field the coverage is to be considered as owners', landlords' and tenants' public property damage liability insurance, but with the following additions and exceptions:—

- The terms and conditions of the policy are so extended as to be available to any person or persons while riding in or operating the boats covered with the permission of the assured.
- The rates include coverage for the so-called passenger or guest hazard except as noted under (c).
- The rates exclude coverage for the boats insured when rented to others and when carrying passengers for a consideration.

## POST OFFICE NOTICE.

### CHRISTMAS PARCEL MAIL FOR GREAT BRITAIN.

Christmas Parcel Mail for Great Britain will be closed in the General Post Office at 5 p.m. on November 6 per a.s. Naldora. This mail is due in London on December 11.

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### INWARD MAILS.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4.	
Japan	.....Tijlmanong
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London, Oct. 16)	.....Allpore
Manila	.....Empress of Japan
Calcutta and Straits	.....Takada
Swatow and Amoy	.....Van Heutz
Japan	.....Rio de Janeiro Maru
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5.	
Shanghai and Swatow	.....Sunning
Java and Manila	.....Tjimanock
Australia and Manila	.....Tanda
Japan	.....Melbourne Maru
Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers, London, Oct. 8 and Parcels, Oct. 1)	.....Rajputana
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6.	
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai (Seattle, Oct. 17)	.....President Taft
Japan and Shanghai	.....Naldora

### OUTWARD MAILS.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4.	
Amoy	.....Tai Yuan 3.30 p.m.
Manila	.....Gertrude Maerck 5 p.m.
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5.	
Amoy and Formosa via Swatow	.....Dell Maru 8.30 a.m.
Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa & S.	
American Ports	.....Rio de Janeiro Maru 2.30 p.m.
Swatow	.....Hydrangea 3 p.m.
Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Brisbane	
	.....Melbourne Maru (Due Brisbane, Nov. 19.)
	.....Parcels .....Nov. 5, 3 p.m.
	.....Registration .....4.15 p.m.
	.....Letters .....5 p.m.
	.....Takada .....5 p.m.
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6.	
Shanghai and *Europe via Siberia	.....Tanda 10.30 a.m.
Holhow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	.....Klungchow 1 p.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	.....Anshun 1.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	.....Hai Ning 2 p.m.
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7.	
Amoy	.....Antung 1.30 p.m.

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(d) The rates exclude coverage when the boats insured are used in any race or speed contest by professionals.

The changes set forth become effective immediately in all States except Arizona, Oklahoma and Washington. Certain legal requirements in these States necessitate delay.

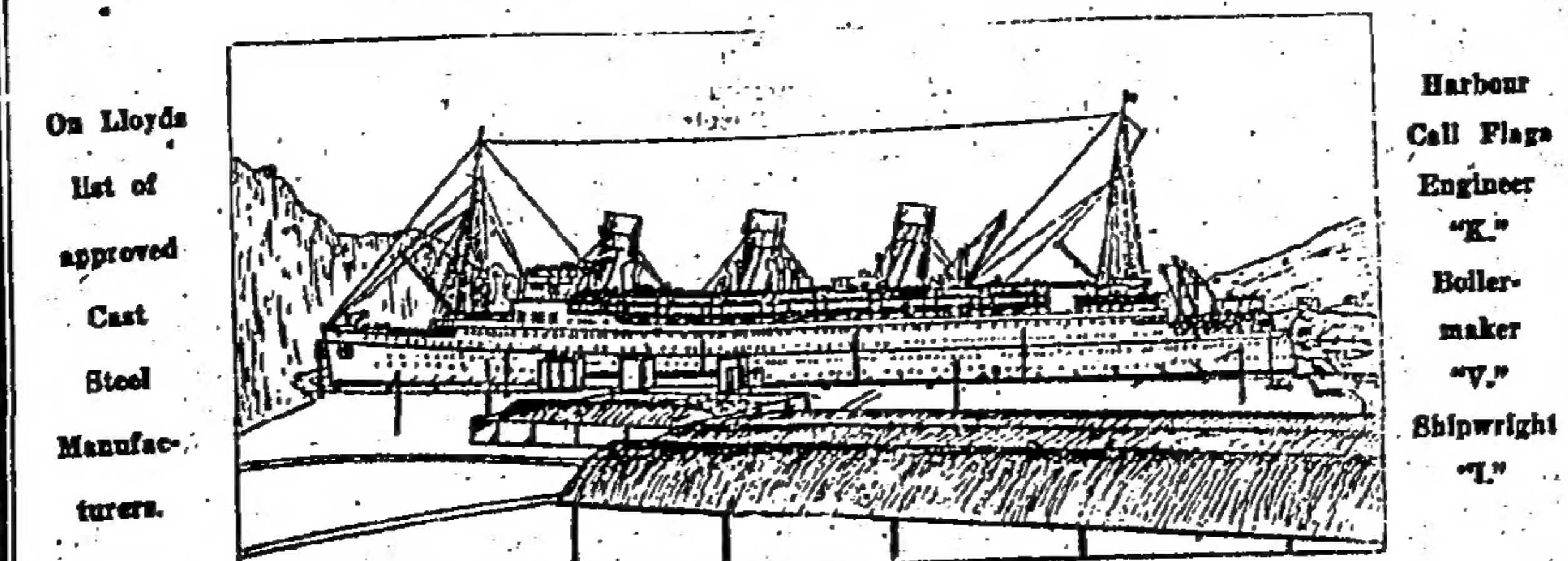
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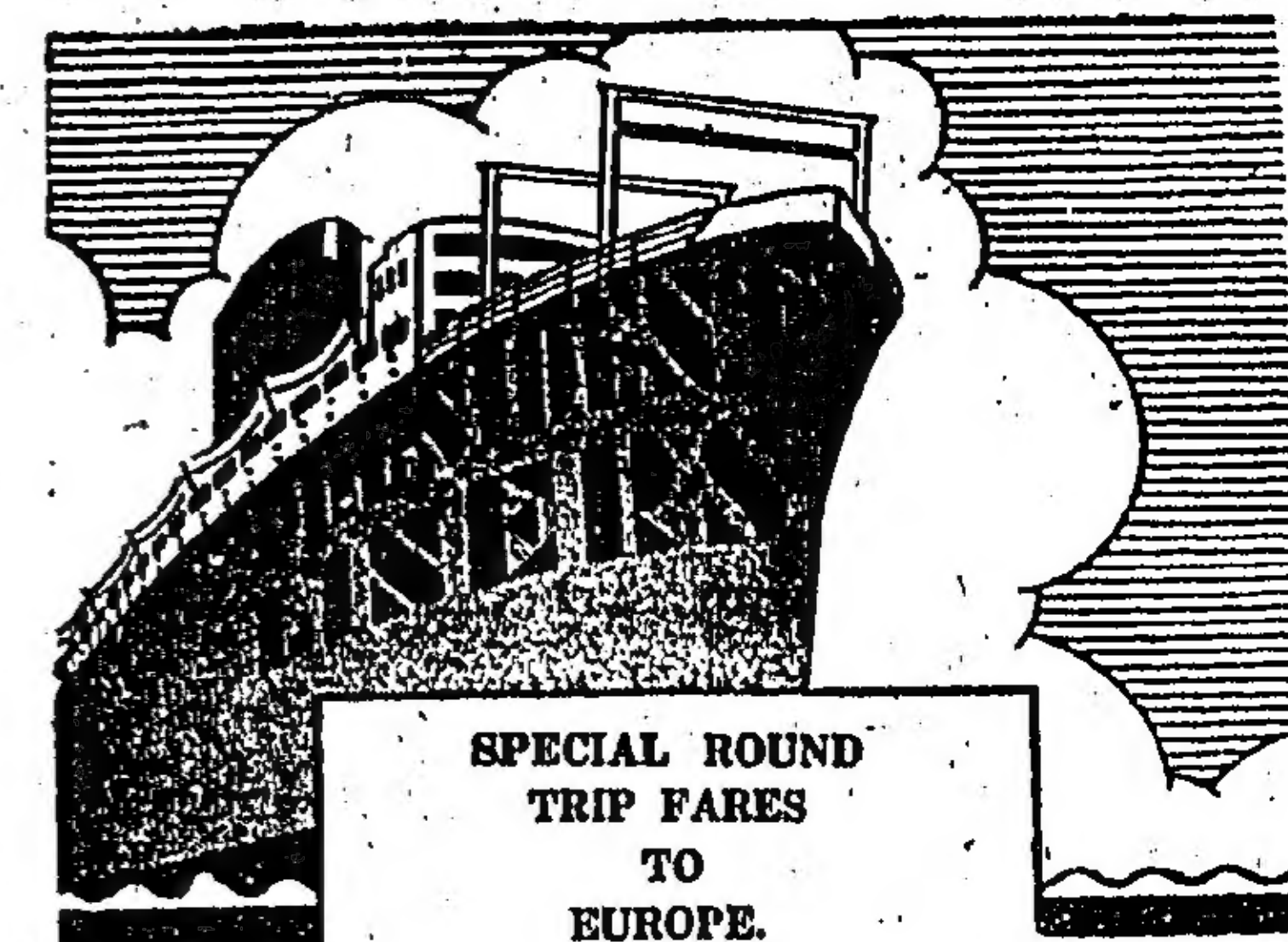
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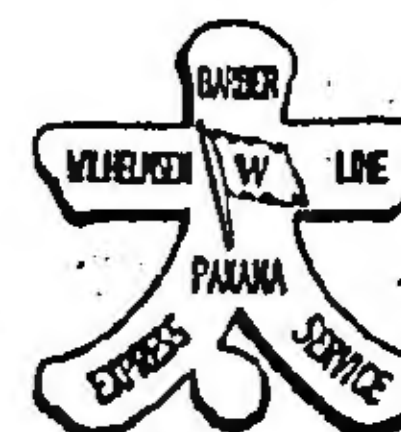
Pres. Polk .....Nov. 15, 8 a.m.	Pres. Harrison .....Dec. 13, 8 a.m.
Pres. Adams .....Nov. 29, 8 a.m.	Pres. Hayes .....Dec. 27, 8 a.m.

### TO MANILA

Pres. Taft .....Nov. 7, 6 p.m.	Pres. Jefferson .....Nov. 21, 6 p.m.
Pres. Polk .....Nov. 15, 8 a.m.	Pres. Adams .....Nov. 29, 8 a.m.
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## CHINESE AND FOOTBALL DISPUTE.

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refusal, and its further letter of  
September 24 asking for permis-  
sion, and yet no permission, verbal  
or in writing was vouchsafed up  
to Friday afternoon, September 25.  
The League Management Commit-  
tee could very well have been sum-  
moned and could have met on  
Thursday evening, September 24,  
and if that Committee then decid-  
ed to grant permission, the South  
China Athletic Association could  
have been notified the first thing  
on Friday morning, September 25.  
The Clubs are therefore constrain-  
ed to regard your refusal of Sep-  
tember 23 and your subsequent  
silence as being due, not to lack  
of time, but purely and simply to  
lack of sympathy and friendly feel-  
ings.

17.—Mr. Wong Ka-tsun's minute,  
which he wrote as a member of  
the League Management Commit-  
tee, in connection with the appli-  
cation to postpone, was apparent-  
ly shown to the Press, as it was  
published in connection with the  
interview of the Chairman men-  
tioned above. We are now direct-  
ed to append below copy of Mr.  
Wong's minute and copies of the  
minutes of the other members of  
the League Management Commit-  
tee, as the Chinese Clubs consider  
that these minutes are most il-  
luminating on the question of the  
mentality and general attitude of  
the League Management Commit-  
tee.

Letter to the League Manage-  
ment Committee dated September  
23.  
The League Management Com-  
mittee.—To attached letter from  
S.C.A.A. and advise course of  
procedure. It would appear  
that H.K. Football is to be sub-  
ordinated to unofficial matches  
between Chinese teams in and  
away from the Colony.

—(Intd.) W. H. 22/9.  
It is regretted that this Inter-  
port game has been arranged  
without any reference to the  
H.K.F.A. I am of the opinion  
that the League game with the  
H.K.F. Club arranged for Satur-  
day, September 26, should be  
played on that date.

—(Sd.) G. May.  
South China should be en-  
forced to fulfil the League fixture.  
We have had no previous know-  
ledge of the so called "Inter-  
port" match. Should not the  
Association deal with all inter-  
port matches.

—(Sd.) G. Stokes.  
I am agreeable to what all the  
other members agree to.  
—(Intd.) C. A. G.  
I must dissent from the views  
expressed by the other members.  
The S.C.A.A. by their letter  
have presented a good case for  
postponement of their fixture.

This match was arranged by the  
Hong Kong Chinese Amateur  
Athletic Federation who I un-  
derstand is the controlling body  
of Chinese Sports in this Colony,  
and to whom all Chinese Ath-  
letic Clubs are affiliated and  
S.C.A.A. as one of its members  
must act in accordance with its  
instructions. The match is an  
"official match" so far as Chi-  
nese sports are concerned. Whe-  
ther the Hong Kong Chinese  
Amateur Athletic Federation  
had or had not the opportunity  
to consult—or should or should  
not have first consulted—the  
H.K.F.A. is a matter between  
these two bodies. It is obvious  
that by the "K.F.A." not grant-  
ing the request for postpone-  
ment, the S.C.A.A. which  
naturally desire to obey both  
bodies, will be placed into the  
impossible position of having  
either to defy the H.K.F.A. or  
the H.K.C.A.A.F. I feel strongly  
that the H.K.F.A. should not  
act lightly in placing one of its  
members in such an embarrass-  
ing position and should grant  
the request.

—(Sd.) Wong Ka-tsun,  
22/9/31.

The Association rule is de-  
finite that no Club affiliated to  
this Association can play with  
or against any Club not affil-  
iated to this or some other re-  
cognised association, unless per-  
mission has FIRST been obtained.  
—(Intd.) W. E. H.

I concur with the remarks of  
Messrs. May, Goldenberg, and  
Stokes and Hollands.

—(Sd.) F. Cleme.  
18.—It will be seen that your  
first comment was "It would ap-  
pear that Hong Kong Football is  
to be subordinated to unofficial  
matches between Chinese teams in  
and away from the Colony." This  
comment relates to an Interport  
match: It will also be seen from  
your subsequent Minute that the

point of Rule 12 was raised and  
yet not a word was mentioned  
about Rule 12 in your curt reply.  
19.—Dealing then with the Ser-  
vices match, it will be noticed  
that application for permission  
could have been made, and could  
only have been made, by the Ser-  
vices concerned. As shown above,  
copy of Captain Deakin's letter to  
the South China Athletic Associa-  
tion was sent to you, and if your  
Association had been desirous of  
co-operation with the Chinese,  
surely it was not too much to ex-  
pect that you would have inform-  
ed Captain Deakin of the necessity  
of complying with any formal re-  
quirements in order to enable  
your Association to sanction this  
match. And yet nothing was done  
by your Association, with the re-  
sult that the Services were unable  
to play the Malaya Chinese.

20.—Copy of Captain Deakin's  
letter to the South China Athletic  
Association of September 23 and  
correspondence up to that date  
were sent your Chairman for  
perusal, whose only comment  
was:—

Mr. Hollands.—Please cir-  
culate copies of correspondence  
to all members of Council. The  
departure of the South China  
Athletic Association from cor-  
rect procedure is regrettable  
and intensely annoying.

—(Intd.) J. O.  
21.—It would appear that the  
point of view that a friendly visit-  
ing Chinese Interport team, con-  
sisting of Chinese players, all of  
whom are members of Clubs af-  
filiated to the English Football As-  
sociation, being unable to play a  
friendly match against the United  
Services on account of your Asso-  
ciation's refusal to sanction the  
match, is an insult, not only to  
the visitors, but also to the local  
Chinese, never occurred to your  
Association. Your Association's  
refusal to sanction the match is a  
sad commentary on the friendly  
co-operation between your Associa-  
tion and the Chinese Football  
Clubs. And as far as the Chinese  
Clubs are aware no expression of  
regret has been expressed by or  
on behalf of your Association with  
reference to the abortive match.

22.—Such, then, is the Chinese  
Club's case, and, on the facts, we  
are to submit that it was un-  
fair for your Council to find, as it did,  
that the promoters of the Inter-  
port "acted wrongly" in not com-  
municating earlier with your Asso-  
ciation, and that the League Man-  
agement Committee only acted  
"hastily and without careful con-  
sideration" because of the short-  
ness of time at their disposal.

23.—Mr. Lo has sent us a copy  
of his letter to your Chairman  
dated October 13, and a copy of  
your Chairman's reply of the fol-  
lowing date. As Mr. Lo himself,  
stated, he wrote that letter entire-  
ly on his own initiative, but we  
are directed to state that, having  
studied it carefully, the Chinese  
Clubs are prepared to submit the  
whole matter to arbitration on the  
terms set out in Mr. Lo's letter,  
and to abide loyally by the find-  
ings of the arbitrator.

24.—The Clubs request a satis-  
factory explanation of the inci-  
dents above enumerated, because  
they hope to be convinced that no  
insult towards them was intended.  
25.—The Clubs hope that your  
Association will find it possible to  
co-operate with the Federation.  
We are to point out that the  
Shanghai Football Association is  
in a similar position to yourselves,  
and has experienced no difficulty  
in affording co-operation with the  
Federation in Shanghai.

26.—As regards Resolution (a),  
we are directed to point out that  
the promoters of the Interport are  
the Federation, and that the  
Federation is not a party to the  
dispute between your Association  
and the Clubs.

27.—Further whether the pro-  
moters are the Federation, or any  
of the Chinese Clubs who were  
your members, we are directed to  
protest against the finding that  
they acted wrongly in not com-  
municating earlier with your As-  
sociation.

28.—The Clubs do not know  
upon what evidence your Associa-  
tion came to that finding. But  
telegrams and documents could be  
produced, which will substantiate  
the facts stated in paragraph 5  
(a), which will show that the final  
arrangements for the Malaya  
team's visit to Hong Kong were  
concluded only on Saturday, Sep-  
tember 19, and the South China  
Athletic Association wrote their  
first letter to you—on September

21, which was the earliest time  
any party could communicate with  
your Association with regard to  
the Interport match.

29.—The Clubs will be glad if  
your Association would reconsider  
Resolution (a) and allow the Clubs  
to send their representative to  
place all the materials before you,  
so that your Council may recon-  
sider and review this Resolution.

30.—We are instructed to state  
that the Clubs are reconsidering  
their resignation and hope that  
your reply to the points raised  
will enable them to come to a de-  
cision.

We are,

Yours faithfully,

(Sd.) Sze Po-wai,  
For Eastern A.A.

(Sd.) Chan Yum-poo,  
For Ewo A.A.

(Sd.) Tsung Tsin A.A.  
Hon. Secretary.

(Sd.) Mok Hing,  
Representing S.C.A.A.

(Sd.) Choy Wai-hung,  
Representing C.A.A.

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" Soup	牛肉	"	27	20	18				
" Steak	牛肉	"	38	24	22				
" Steak Sirloin	牛肉	"	46	30	35				
" Sausages	猪肉	"	35	26	20				
Sullock's Brains	牛脑	per set	17	10	12				
" Tongue, fresh	牛舌	each	75	50	60				
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" Head	牛头	lb.	\$1.20	—	\$1.20				
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" Feet	牛脚	each	12	10	12				
" Kidneys	牛腰	"	15	10	12				
" Tail	牛尾	"	27	20	22				
" Liver	牛肝	lb.	24	18	14				
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Calves' Head & Feet	牛头脚	set	\$1.50	\$1.00	\$1.00				
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" Feet	猪脚	"	30	15	18				
" Fry	猪油	"	20	20	—				
" Head	猪头	each	18	10	10				
" Heart	猪心	"	15	10	8				
" Kidneys	猪腰	lb.	48	30	24				
" Liver	猪肝	"	40	25	23				
Pork Chop	猪肉	"	42	—	—				
" Leg	猪肉	"	45	30	70				
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Dab	魚	"	26	16	27				
Dace	魚	"	60	23	16				
Dog Fish	魚	"	22	10	—				
Eel, Conger	魚	"	66	10	8				
" Fresh Water	魚	"	64	16	—				
" Yellow	魚	"	60	10	8				
Frogs	魚	"	82	26	30				
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Labrus	魚	"	38	18	15				
Loach	魚	"	82	22	19				
Lobsters	魚	"	70	62	24				
Mackerel	魚	"	52	32	21				
Monk Fish	魚	"	60	20	20				
Mullet	魚	"	46	13	2				
Oysters	魚	"	46	12	2				
Parrot Fish	魚	"	32	14	9				
Perch	魚	"	32	30	15				
Pike	魚	"	48	16	9				
Plaice	魚	"	60	36	20				
Pomfret, White	魚	"	62	36	35				
Pomfret, Black	魚	"	42	36	45				
Prawns	魚	"	66	10	14				
Ray	魚	"	30	10	14				
Rock Fish	魚	"	30	13	18				
Roach	魚	"	42	22	10				
Salmon	魚	"	62	30	30				
Shark	魚	"	22	8	40				
Shake	魚	"	22	10	10				
Shrimps	魚	"	60	38	30				
Snapper	魚	"	58	28	28				
Soles	魚	"	48	22	28				
Tench	魚	"	46	26	35				
Turbot	魚	"	42	12	12				
" all fish water	魚	"	1.40	40	—				
Poultry.									
Chicken	雞	lb.	60	30	31				
Capons, Small	雞	"	60	28	30				
Capons, Large	雞	"	64	28	30				
Duck	鴨	"	54	22	21				
Doves	鴿	each	30	22	21				
Eggs, Hen (cooking)	雞蛋	per doz.	40	18	—				
Eggs, Hen (fresh)	新鮮雞蛋	"	45	25	20				
Fowls, Canton	本地雞	lb.	72	38	24				
Fowls, Hainan	海南雞	"	52	35	24				
Geese	鵝	"	55	24	24				
Pigeons, Canton	鴿	each	50	30	—				
" Hollow	白鴿	"	40	28	—				
Turkeys, Cook	火雞	lb.	80	—	—				
Turkeys, Hen	火雞	"	70	61	45				
Snipe	沙山	each	30	—	—				
Pheasant	山雞	pair	3.50	—	—				
Quail	鶉	each	30	—	—				
Partridges	鶉	"	1.20	—	—				
Fruits.									
Almonds	杏仁	lb.	30	35	—				
Apples (California)	金山蘋果	"	36	26	—				
Bananas (bride's)	金山香蕉	"	8	4	—				
Carambols	楊桃	"	20	12	—				
Coconuts	椰子	each	14	10	10				
Lemons, China	金山檸檬	lb.	12	25	80				
Lemons (American)	金山檸檬	each	18	8	—				
Lichees, Dried	荔枝干	lb.	1.00	25	80				
Oranges (Canton)	新會甜橙	"	16	—	—				
Oranges	橙	"	12	—	15				
Pears (Canton)	沙梨	"	36	—	—				
Peanuts	花生	"	14	10	12				
Persimmons, Large	大紅柿	"	16	12	—				
Plantain	紅蕉	"	5	8	—				
Pumpkin, Siam	暹羅南瓜	each	16	12	6				
Walnuts	胡桃	lb.	28	—	16				
Grapes	菩提子	"	70	—	—				
Vegetables, &c.									
Artichokes	菊芋	each	12	—	2				
Beans, Sprout	豆苗	lb.	6	—	7				
" Long	豇豆	"	16	—	8				
Beet Root	紅苕	"	28	—	—				
Bitter Squash	苦瓠	"	8	24	—				
Brinjals, Green	青茄子	"	10	5	3				
" Red	紅茄子	"	8	5	3				
Cabbage, Chinese	菜薹	"	12	—	—				
" (Shanghai)	上海菜薹	"	30	12	—				
Cane Shoots, bunch	菜薹	"	4	—	—				
Cauliflower (Large)	大椰菜花	each	—	—	—				
" (Medium)	中椰菜花	"	—	—	—				
" (Small)	細椰菜花	"	—	6	6				
Carrots	紅薯	lb.	16	5	6				
Celery, Chinese	美芹	"	14	10	6				
Chillies, Dried	乾辣椒	"	18	25	5				
" Red	紅辣椒	"	14	10	10				
" Green	青辣椒	"	8	8	12				
Curry Stuf, English	菜薹	"	10	8	—				
Cucumbers	黃瓜	"	10	2	—				
Garlic	蒜	"	8	6	6				
Ginger, Young	子姜	"	10	7	—				
" Old	老姜	"	8	20	—				
Horseradish, Shanghai	菜薹	"	60	8	4				
Indian Corn	粟米	"	—	45	—				
Lettuce	生菜	"	10	1	—				
Water Chestnuts	荸薺	"	10	—	8				
" Mandarin	桂花荸薺	"	12	—	8				
Mushrooms, Fresh	鮮蘑菇	"	—	—	—				
Okroes	茄	"	14	1	10				
Onions, Bombay	洋蔥	"	10	8	8				
" Green	青蔥	"	6	4	6				
" Shanghai	上海蔥	"	8	6	—				
Parley	芹	"	60	60	8				
Potato, Sweet	甘薯	"	5	8	—				
" Japanese	日本薯	"	—	3	—				
" American	金山薯	"	8	8	—				
Pumpkin	南瓜	"	5	4	4				
Radish	紅蘿蔔	"	—	—	—				
Rhubarb (Fresh)	大紅菜	"	—	—	10				
Scallots	扇貝	"	8	—	8				
Spinach	菠菜	"	8	8	—				
Tomatoes	番茄	"	20	4	—				
Taro	芋	"	6	7	—				
Turnips, Punt (Long)	長蘿蔔	"	8	6	—				
Vegetable Marrow	西蘭花	"	10	4	—				
Water Cress	水蔞	"	15	15	—				
Water Lily Root	水蔞	"	6	15	—				



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## WAS PRESIDENT WILSON POISONED?

### AMAZING THEORY OF "PLOT BY THE ALLIES."

The incredible suggestion that President Wilson of America may possibly have been poisoned by the Allies is put forward by Major Herbert O. Yardley, who was in charge of the code and cipher section of the military intelligence branch of the American General Staff during the war.

Major Yardley makes this amazing insinuation in an astonishing book recently published, "The American Black Chamber."

In this book Major Yardley discloses that his department tapped the secret diplomatic messages passing between Governments and their Ambassadors both during and after the war, and he alleges that the great Powers, all maintain "black chambers" for this purpose.

All secret code cablegrams sent by Governments and Ambassadors seem, according to this American expert, to be an open book to all the other Governments.

#### Private Code.

Major Yardley was in Paris for the Peace Conference, and he says that his work was enlivened with exciting moments. He goes on:—

"Extremely important telegrams dealing with espionage came through my own private code, and I was obliged to decipher them personally. There were many such telegrams, for Paris swarmed with Allied and Entente spies."

"Though I had presupposed that there would be marked cards... my heart skipped several beats as I slowly deciphered a telegram which gave information to the effect that a certain woman associated with one of our peace commissioners before his marriage, was in England under pay from the British Government of twenty-five thousand pounds sterling for services until the end of the Peace Conference."

"The report stated that if his attitude at the conference did not satisfy the English Government they would use this woman to embarrass our Commissioner."

In other words, blackmail! There was another report that a certain woman—let us call her Mme. X—was in Paris in the employ of one of the Allies for the purpose of influencing the decision of another of our peace commissioners."

This was perhaps merely a case of 'vamping' in high life—for a consideration!

Now Major Yardley comes to the climax.

#### Deciphered Telegram.

"If," he says, "I was unprepared for the sort of espionage that engages women to influence the decisions of our peace commissioners (though one should never be amazed at what occurs either during a war or at the division of the spoils), the reader may well appreciate the shock I received as I deciphered a telegram which reported an Entente plot to assassinate President Wilson, either by administering a slow poison, or by giving him influenza in ice."

"Our informant, in whom we had the greatest confidence, begged the authorities for God's sake, to warn the President."

Major Yardley then adds this comment:—

"I have no way of knowing whether this plot had any truth in fact, and, if it had, whether it succeeded. But there are these undesirable facts. President Wilson's first sign of illness occurred while he was in Paris, and he was soon to die a lingering death."

#### TELEVISION.

German Firm's Success On  
7-Metres Tests.

A revolutionary system of broadcasting is shortly to be tested in Germany. It is believed that it may solve the problem of interference between stations and congestion of the ether, and at the same time provide the most perfect television service yet devised.

Under this system there will be local or municipal broadcasting on a wave-length of seven metres. For several months the German Post Office and the Telefunken Company have been carrying out tests on these extremely short waves. The results have been so satisfactory that the company is now manufacturing transmitting and receiving sets with a view to placing the system at the service of the public.

Television will be an important part of the service, which is expected to start this year at Leipzig. It is highly probable that the system will be applied to the broadcasting of talking pictures.

#### WHITE STAR LINE RUMOUR.

London, Yesterday.

Great interest has been aroused in the City at reports that the big American shipping concerns were attempting to secure control of the White Star Line.—Reuter.

A man who died with a pipe in his mouth suffered from heart degeneration, and had been warned he was smoking too much.

All German stations relayed the chief speeches at the League of Nations meeting at Geneva. The proceedings were of the utmost importance to German listeners, as the findings of The Hague International Court of Justice on the proposed customs union between Austria and Germany were debated. Malaya is not a little interested in the Geneva deliberations, but any hopes of local listeners picking up relays are dashed to the ground until Government comes to realise the growing importance of radio in this country.

## SHARE PRICES GIVE WAY.

Still Influenced by  
Exchange.

### A FEW EXCEPTIONS.

The official summary issued by the Stock Exchange to-day states: The market is still being influenced by the rise in exchange and prices have given way along the entire list with one or two exceptions.

Banks were on offer at \$1,650. Unions, after sales at \$420 and \$425, had sellers at the close at \$425.

China Underwriters, which were put through at \$5.10 and \$5.15, closed with buyers at \$5.

Douglases were offering at \$22½. Wharves were done at \$152½. Whampoa Docks were in demand at \$30½.

Providents (old), which were done at \$5¼, closed with buyers at \$5, but sellers were asking \$5.30. The (new) shares, which changed hands at \$2.40, had buyers bidding \$2.20 at the close.

Hotels (old) were in the market at \$15¼.

H.K. Lands could have been obtained at \$82½.

Realities were on offer at \$18.40.

Ewos had sellers at \$16.20, and Shanghai Cotton at \$91.

Zoong Sings were wanted at \$12¼.

Trams, after being done at \$21¼ and \$21.90, closed with sellers at \$22.

Star Ferries were obtainable at \$92½.

China Lights were on sale at \$28¼.

Electric, after being sold at \$77, closed with buyers at \$76¼.

Telephones (part paid) were on offer at \$27½.

Cements (combined), which were put through at \$20, closed at this rate with buyers.

Dairy Farms were offering at \$29½, as were also Watsons at \$16½.

Sinceres were wanted at \$15½.

Constructions (old), after being sold at \$6.15, closed with buyers at \$6.10, and the new shares were wanted at \$2.

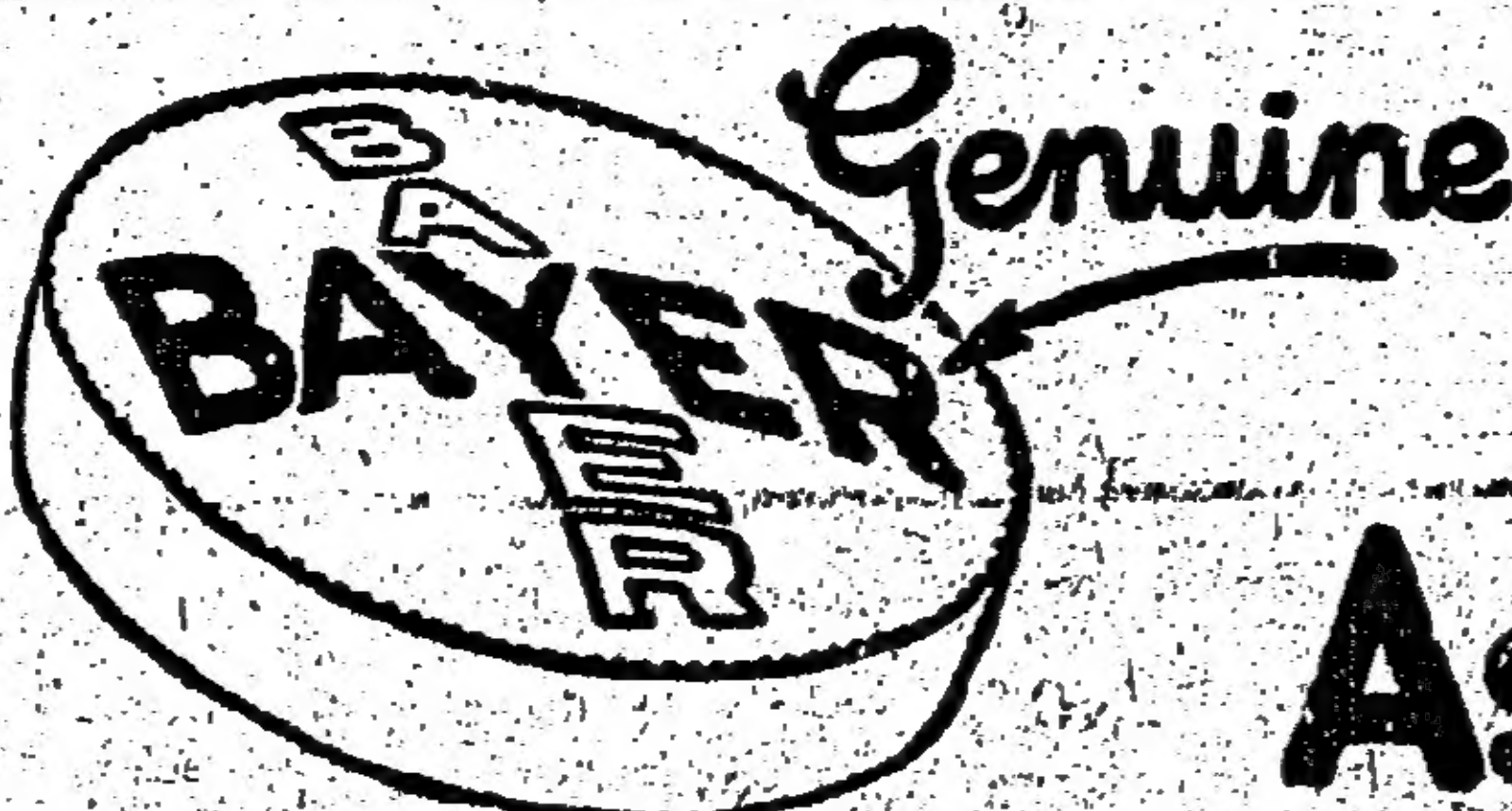
H.K. Government Loan was wanted at \$2 per cent. ex interest.

## ARMAMENT TRUCE.

### Britain's Note of Acceptance.

Rugby, Yesterday.  
The British Government has addressed a note to the Secretary-General of the League of Nations notifying him that as they are convinced the Disarmament Conference will be greatly promoted by a general undertaking by all invited States not to increase their armaments for one year from November 1, 1931, they are prepared to accept the Armament Truce proposed by the Twelfth Assembly.

The note adds, that if as a result of unforeseen circumstances, such as are more likely to arise in the case of countries having responsibilities overseas, the British Government should be compelled to suspend operation of this undertaking, will immediately notify the League.—British Wireless Service.



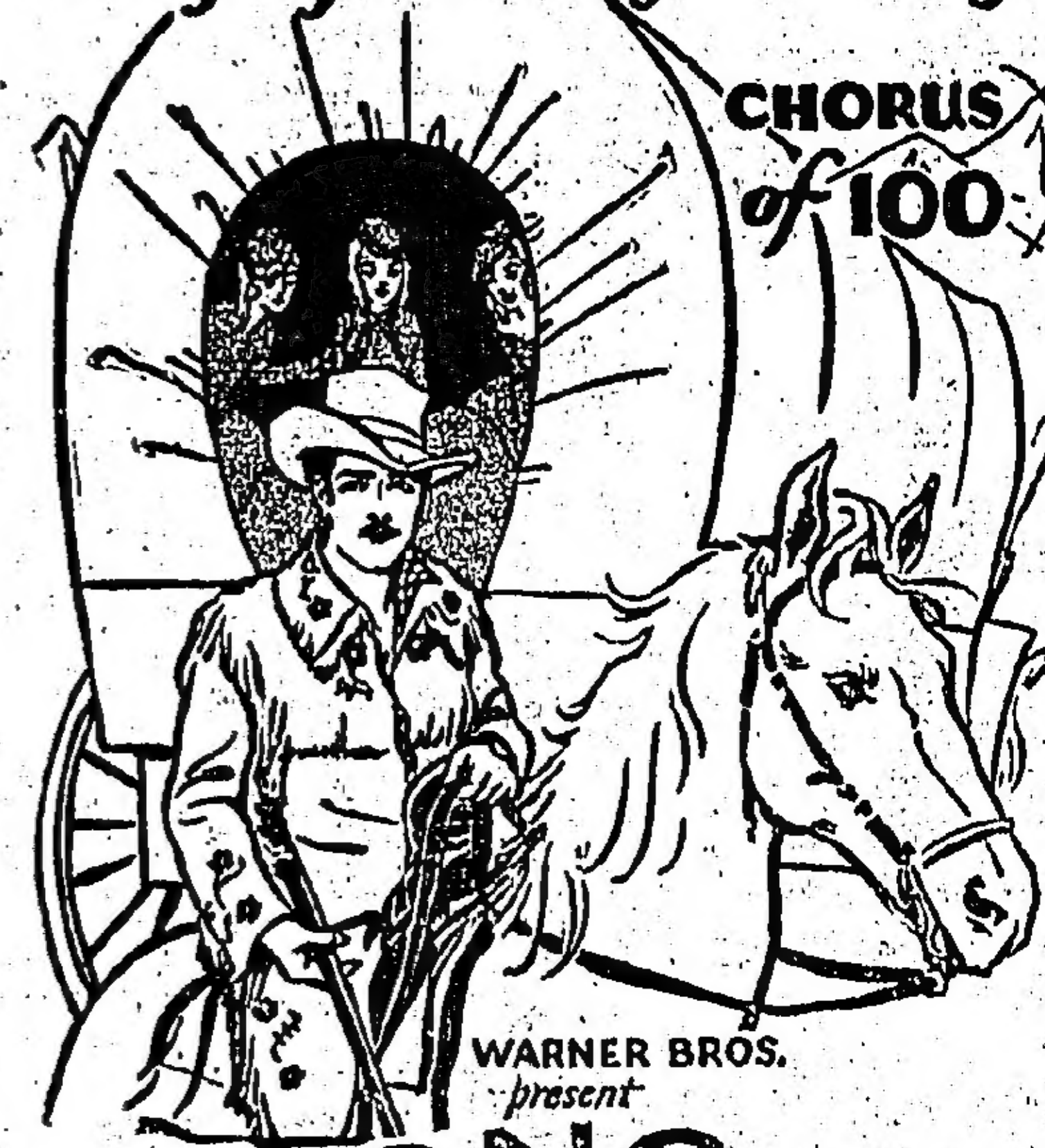
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